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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The report of the Maine Court of Inquiry was sent North from Key West yesterday in charge of Commander Marix, Judge Advocate of the court, who sailed on the steamer City of Key West for Miami, Florida. —— Wake Forest team won the game played with the Augusta, Ga., League team. —— The national quarantine bill debated in the Senate; in the House the naval appropriation bill was discussed and the Thorp vs. Epes election case from Virginia debated. —— The cabinet discussed the Spanish situation; it was determined that there must come an end to the present state of affairs in Cuba; the Maine report is expected Thursday or Friday; its publication cannot be expected before next Monday or Tuesday. —— Recruiting stations for the navy are to be opened at a number of cities, mostly on the coast. —— Henry Williams one of the divers working on the Maine died of hemorrhage. —— Peter Jackson knocked out on the third round by Jim Jeffries in San Francisco. —— Rear Admiral Sicard will probably be retired on account of physical diability. —— The negotiations of Gen. Pando with Cuban insurgents were a complete failure and hostilities have been resumed. —— Freezing temperature out West; the fruit crop of Kansas probably destroyed. —— The Maryland Senate adopted a joint resolution endorsing the course of President McKinley in the present crisis. —— Heavy rains in Ohio have caused heavy floods. —— Severe storms reported in Missouri, Illinois, Nebraska, and part of Texas. —— New York markets: Money on call was easy at 1½@2 per cent., with last loan at — per cent.; cotton was dull—middling 6½c; flour was quiet but steadily held; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red $1.04½; corn—spot steady; No. 2 36½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine dull and no sales.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Wilmington, D. C., March 22.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 56 deg.; 8 P.M., 68 deg.; maximum, 81 deg.; minimum, 54 deg.; mean, 68 deg.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 0.99.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

A storm which was central last *evening* in Kansas has moved northeastward to the Ohio valley and lower lake region, accompanied by moderate to heavy showers from the middle Mississippi valley eastward over the lakes to the middle Atlantic coast. It has been followed over to the middle and upper Mississippi valley and the Southwest by a decided cold wave and increase in pressure. The temperature has fallen since last evening the following amounts: Dodge City, 46 degrees; Oklahoma, 42 degrees; Kansas City and St. Paul, 38 degrees; Davenport, 24 degrees; St. Louis and Palestine, 20 degrees. Clear and very warm weather continues in the Southeastern districts.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. 8.0 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Fair; colder in northwest portion Wednesday night; southerly winds, becoming westerly.

Port Almanac—March 23.

Sun Rises	6.00 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.14 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H. 14 M.
High Water at Southport	8.52 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	11.22 P. M.

Twenty widows have arrived at San Francisco on their way to the Yukon country. The trouble will soon begin up there.

The hustling Japs are putting Sweden to her trumps in the match-making business, and are now shipping millions of boxes into countries where a short while ago the Swedish match was considered unmatched.

The Louisville *Courier-Journal* says the Kentucky Legislature spent its last days in passing a few unimportant bills and throwing paper wads. Well that was better than throwing paper weights, inkstands, &c.

Charles Potter, a cigar maker of Chicago, in a generous mood presented his friend Joe Dort with a lottery ticket as a birthday present. The other day Joe's ticket drew $15,000, and now it would only be fair that he should bear the funeral expenses of Potter, who dropped dead when he heard about the draw.

An enterprising Italian has entered into an agreement with the Government of Venezuela, in pursuance of which he will bring to Venezuela 1,000 Italian families annually, to pursue farming, will establish a bank with about $4,000,000 capital to supply them with money they may wish to borrow, and keep up a line of steamers between the colonies and Italy. In return the Government promises the colonists welcome, protection, rebates of taxes and other privileges.

FUSION NOT NECESSARY.

The best way to dispose of what is called "fusion" in our politics, is to convince those Democrats who favor it that it is not essential to the restoration of good government in North Carolina. With this object in view, the STAR has made a special effort to ascertain the present feeling in five counties in the Eastern section of the State, and with the most gratifying results. For obvious reasons, we will not name the counties; but, in a general way, we will say that in every county there is a decided change reported in favor of the Democrats, and in one of them it is claimed that in one township alone there will be a Democratic gain of about one hundred votes.

The five counties referred to elect seven Representatives in the Legislature. Of these the Fusionists elected six and the Democrats one in 1896. Now, according to our advices, we feel confident that the Democrats will elect five of the seven Representatives, with the other two in doubt, but with the chances in favor of the Republicans.

We have no doubt that a great change in favor of the Democrats is going on throughout the State. The honest people are becoming thoroughly disgusted with Russellism and Butlerism. Thousands of dissatisfied Democrats who took refuge in the Fusion camp are coming back home, where a cordial welcome awaits them; and when election day comes the fight will be practically a straight one between Democrats and Republicans.

Fusion is not necessary to success. It would weaken rather than strengthen us. Away with it!

THE MORNING STAR begins its sixty-second semi-annual volume today. Its efforts to make a good paper at a reasonable price have been a complete success, if a steady increase in subscription lists is a fair test. Its circulation is larger than at any previous period and is still growing.

It is said that Bismarck has Jewish blood in his veins from his maternal grandfather, which accounts for the soft spot he has in his heart for the Jews.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. W. Sanders—Attention.
Seacoast Road—Train notice.
Palace Bakery—Choice bananas.
I. B. Rhodes—A tempting morsel.
Vollers and Hashagen—Your friends.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. D. C. Rogers, of Wallace, is in the city.

— Mr. J. M. Solky returned yesterday from a Northern trip.

— Mr. B. A. Downing, of Elizabethtown, was here yesterday.

— Mr. R. L. Thornton, of Newbern, was in the city last night.

— Mr. E. E. Broughton, of Raleigh, arrived in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. J. Shepard, who has been sick for some time, is recovering.

— Mr. G. W. Taylor, of Jacksonville, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— W. H. Carroll, Esq., of Burlington, is in the city on professional business.

— Mrs. B. M. Love and children, of Elizabethtown, are visiting Mrs. R. R. Love.

— Mr. B. H. Scott was recently seized with a congestive chill, but was better yesterday afternoon.

— Rev. S. J. Porter, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Newbern, was here yesterday on his way to visit relatives in Columbus county.

— Dr. W. D. McMillan and Rev. G. W. McMillan, of Burgaw, went to Sloop Point yesterday. The Doctor expects to return Thursday.

— Mr. F. M. Barber, representing Potter & Williams, general commission merchants, of Buffalo, N. Y., was here yesterday interviewing the berry growers.

York Watters Tried To-day,

The trial of York Watters, colored, for shooting William Council, colored, a report of which was published in yesterday's STAR, is set for this afternoon at 1 o'clock before Justice Bunting. Watters was arrested early yesterday morning by Deputy Sheriff J. P. Flynn. It turns out that Council is not nearly so badly wounded as was at first thought. The ball lodged in the fleshy part of the cheek. The pistol used was evidently a very poor specimen.

Council yesterday swore out a peace warrant against Watters before Justice J. M. McGowan. On application of the defendant the case was removed to the court of Justice Martin Newman who will hear it this morning at 11 o'clock.

Funeral of the Late Mr. Geo. G. Lewis.

The funeral of the late Mr. Geo. G. Lewis will not be held until Thursday afternoon. After the notices were published in the afternoon papers naming 4 o'clock this afternoon as the hour, it was decided to wait until the same hour to-morrow afternoon. This was in order to give Mr. Lewis' two eldest sons, who live in New York, time to get here. They will arrive at 5.50 this afternoon.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The W. L. I. and Naval Reserves had their usual weekly drills last night.

— Mr. Godfrey Hart, the tobacconist, had had an Interstate 'phone placed in his office.

— Sergeant Eugene Foushee, of the W. L. I., did the proper thing last night by setting up the entire company to ice cream.

— There was a well attended rehearsal of the Second Regiment Band last night at their rendezvous in the City Hall building.

— The Winston *Sentinel* announces that Dr. Blue Mountain Joe's show is advertised to be in the Twin-City April 4th.

— The Democratic Executive Committees seem to be slow in holding meetings to fix the date for holding the county conventions.

— Justice McGowan yesterday bound over Henry Anderson, colored, to the Criminal Court in a bond of $50 on the charge of forcible trespass.

— Well, who are to be the candidates for the Democratic nomination for the Superior Court Judgeship in this district? Don't all speak at once.

— The steamer *Driver* had among its passengers Monday the petrified woman which has been on exhibition here. She will be exhibited next at Fayetteville.

— Mr. Henry G. Allen, advance agent for "His Excellency Co." which is billed to appear in the Opera House here next Tuesday, arrived in the city yesterday and will remain until Thursday.

— Mr. Jno. C. Stout, architect and builder, has the contract for erecting a handsome residence for Mr. W. E. Worth. It will be on Mr. Worth's lot on Red Cross between Second and Third streets.

— Sheriff Lennon, of Columbus county, spent Monday night in the city en route to the State penitentiary where he goes to carry two convicts. He confined his prisoners in New Hanover jail over night.

— In the Mayor's court yesterday Alex. and John Johnson were convicted of creating a disturbance at Ruth Hall Monday night and given their choice between paying $5 and costs or 15 days each in jail.

— Wilmington Division Naval Reserves yesterday received their new blue uniform pants. This completed their dress uniform, outfit the coats having been received several weeks ago. They were made by Jacob Reed's Sons, Philadelphia.

— Sheriff John Smith, of Richmond county, who was in the city yesterday, told special deputy G. Z. French that it was generally believed in his county that Hon. Oliver Dockery, Sr., would enter the lists as Republican candidate for Congress during the next campaign.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—191 bales cotton, 10 bbls tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—172 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 56 bbls tar.

Carolina Central Railroad—4 bales of cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 42 bbls rosin, 74 bbls tar.

C. F. & Y. V. Railroad—1 bale cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 80 bbls rosin, 59 bbls tar.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—22 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 55 bbls rosin, 42 bbls tar.

Steamer Frank Sessoms—1 bale cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 21 bbls rosin, 78 bbls tar.

Total—Cotton, 391 bales; spirits turpentine, 12 casks; rosin, 198 bbls; tar, 319 bbls.

Excepted From Competitive Examination.

It is understood that the position in the Custom House to be filled by Col. Fernandez Bucephalus Rice is the one now held by Capt. E. G. Parmele, with a slight change of title. The word Cashier is added "for short." A letter received by the Collector of the port from Hon. L. J Gage, Secretary of the Treasury, states that the position of Deputy Collector and Inspector No. 1, Class 3, is excepted from competitive examination under the provisions of the amendment to the Civil Service rules, approved by the President on July 27, 1897.

Cheap Advertising.

If you wish to advertise at the lowest rates try the department in the STAR, on fourth page, headed "Business Locals." Situations or help wanted, srticles lost or found, rooms or houses wanted or to rent, business opportunities, and many other short miscellaneous advertisements are taken for that department at one cent per word for each insertion. But no advertisement taken for less than 20 cents for each insertion.

O. A. N. Base Ball Team.

The base ball season will find the O. A. N. grounds in much better condition than ever before. One great improvement that might be named is that the entire grounds will receive a coating of clay. The grand stand will be enlarged, and Manager Black talks mysteriously about some unusual base ball talent that is going to be added to the team.

Dredge Cape Fear Goes to Key West.

Orders were received at 12 o'clock Monday night directing the government suction dredge Cape Fear to proceed to Key West, Fla., calling at Fernandina. She left Southport yesterday at half-past one o'clock.

NORTH CAROLINA NAVAL MILITIA.

Probability That the Battalion Will Soon Be Called Into Active Service.

AT POINTS ON THE COAST.

Signal Stations to Be Built at Oregon Inlet, Cape Lookout and Cape Fear—Will Soon Be in Readiness to Be Manned By Reserves.

It is almost certain that the Naval Battalion of North Carolina will be called into active service very soon. Commander Morton declines to talk to newspaper reporters on the subject, neither affirming nor denying anything; but that doesn't "cut much ice" when a STAR reporter strikes a good trail.

It was announced at Washington a week or more since that signal station, were to be established all along the coast, and that the points in North Carolina would be Oregon Inlet, Cape Lookout and Cape Fear. In addition to this, telegraph lines are to be built all along the coast to connect with all the fortifications, and an operator will be placed at every signal station.

It is a settled fact that the signal stations are to be manned by the Naval Reserves, if the advices from Washington are to be credited, and that the North Carolina Battalion will be ordered to the stations located on our coast. The stations are to be built in the latest modern style, and will be equipped with every appliance known to military science. Contractors are now making estimates preparatory to making bids for their construction, and the work will begin at an early day. This will be pushed with the utmost possible speed, and the stations will be ready for the Reserves in a few weeks.

The telegraphers will be detailed from the Battalion, and a prominent naval officer in New York has advised that pilots and engineers be selected from the Reserves in all cases where the applicants can pass the required examinations.

It is not known what number of men will be needed to man the signal stations; but as the present divisions will probably recruit their strength to a war footing, there will not only be men enough for the stations, but a full complement also for the monitor *Nantucket*.

As stated above, our boys may as well make up their minds that they will be called into service very soon unless the present outlook is changed within thirty days. The Government is going right ahead, without waiting for actual war, to establish the signal stations, and just as soon as they are in readiness, "Johnnie" will have to "get his gun." Then, if war shall come, there will be some fun for the Reserves, as the signal stations will have no heavy guns to defend them and the Spanish cruisers would select them as the first points for attack.

Mr. French Carried His Point.

Sam Brown, colored, was engaged yesterday to put down that carpet in the sheriff's office which has been such a bone of contention the past two months. It will be remembered that the carpet was bought some time ago by Col. Foster and sent to the court house with the proviso that Mr. French should pay for putting it down. This Mr. French refused to do, notwithstanding the fact that it was bought as a result of a petition sent by him to the meeting of the County Commissioners.

The carpet remained in the office for a few days and was thrown out in the hall by Mr. French. Thus the matter stood for almost two months, and last Saturday the grand jury in their report recommended that a carpet be put down in the sheriff's office, as they understood one had already been purchased.

Sheriff's Big Safe Sinking.

Workmen were engaged yesterday jacking up the big safe in the Sheriff's office preparatory to the placing of iron pillars under it. It will be remembered that complaint was made to the Board of County Commissioners at their last meeting to the effect that there was great danger of the floor giving way because of the insufficient support provided. The examination yesterday showed that the floor had already swagged in the centre not less than three inches and was really in a very dangerous condition. The jacks were left under the safe until the iron pillars can be made by the Wilmington Iron Works.

Colored Troops Wanted.

A special from Washington to the New York *Herald* says that in the event of the necessity of detailing United States troops for the invasion and occupation of Cuba during the rainy season, it is probable that the main body of the army will be composed of colored troops. Such a plan, adds the special, is being seriously considered at the War Department, and should the number of colored soldiers now in the regular service be insufficient, the department has assurances that an adequate number of colored volunteers from the Southern States can be counted on.

Account meeting for the purpose of organizing a Teachers Association, Henderson, N. C., March 26th, the Seaboard Air Line will sell tickets from Wilmington to Henderson at rate of $8.60 for the round trip. Tickets on sale March 24th, 25th and 26th, final limit March 30th.

THE STATE PENITENTIARY.

Superintendent Mewborne on a Tour of Inspection—Visited the Rice Farm Near Wilmington.

Superintendent J. M. Mewborne of the State Penitentiary spent yesterday afternoon in the city. He was just from went the Anson farm and yesterday evening to the rice farm near Wilmington to look after the work down there. He thinks rice sowing will begin within fifteen days. Three hundred acres are to be cultivated in rice.

Mr. Mewborne is making a regular visitation to all the farms and says work is progressing nicely wherever he has been.

He is bothered about the fight which is now going on in Washington which threatens to deprive him of the United States prison recently established at the Penitentiary under his direction. It will be remembered that Raleigh was selected as the only branch government prison in the Southern States, and in fact sixteen U. S. prisoners are now confined in the Penitentiary. This was a sort of temporary move and now the fight is on at Washington for the location of the permanent Southern prison.

As the matter now stands, Atlanta, Raleigh and Asheville are contending for the prison, and some are of the opinion that the chances are in favor of Atlanta. However, Mr. Mewborne is quite hopeful that Raleigh will win.

NEW HANOVER TRANSIT COMPANY.

New Pumping Engine and Other Improvements at Carolina Beach.

There arrived yesterday for the New Hanover Transit Company for use at Carolina Beach an improved Rider hot-air pumping engine. It is an 8-inch engine, manufactured by the Rider-Ericsson Engine Company, of New York. It will be used in pumping water into the tank at the beach and will be a decided improvement over the old wind-mill arrangement. Among its advantages may be mentioned that it is almost absolutely safe, noiseless and economical. A pint of kerosene oil furnishes power enough to pump 2,000 gallons of water fifty feet high. The engine will occupy 2½x4 feet of floor space and weighs 3,400 pounds. It will be taken down to the beach this morning by the steamer *Wilmington*, which will also carry down a quantity of railroad iron and other material for extending the beach railway.

Several pieces of iron will also be carried down for the construction of a railway within Fort Caswell.

BARGE C. T. TYLER

Arrived Here Yesterday in Tow of the Tug John Harlin.

The tug *John Harlin*, with the leaking barge *Carrie L. Tyler* in tow, arrived yesterday and is lying at Fowler's wharf. The barge is at Skinner's shipyard awaiting repairs. Mr. Samuel Pregnall, of Charleston, owner of the marine railway there, arrived here yesterday in the interest of the owners of the barge. She is leaking in one of her upper seams. These can be calked in a day or two when she will proceed to Norfolk.

The *Harlin* has been here a good many times before. Capt. A. M. Adair is in command. Mr. Jos. G. Myers is chief engineer and he is ably assisted by an engineer well known as "High Pressure Jack." Capt. Mart Jones, of the barge, is also well known here.

The sailor who was accidentally killed Monday morning, Capt. Jas. F. Edwards, of Charleston, was buried in Southport Monday afternoon. The other seaman who was injured is getting better.

Novel by Mr. Duncan Rose.

The Cape Fear Press, Fayetteville, N. C., has brought out a novel written by Mr. Duncan Rose, entitled "Madeline, or a Commencement Proposal." To a newspaper man especially the story is an interesting one, as the hero starts life as a reporter on a big newspaper and the heroine conducts a woman's department on the same paper. But to anybody else who enjoys reading a good story in which the tender passion plays an important and highly interesting part, the book is heartily recommended. The author betrays an excellent flow of language and an insight into human nature, at least, so far as this is shown forth in the love affairs of two charming young people, that makes the book decidedly good reading. On sale at Yates' book store.

Off to the Penitentiary.

Jailor W. W. King left yesterday for Raleigh where he went to carry three convicts sentenced to terms in the penitentiary during the Criminal Court last week. The convicts were Prince Hall, Tom Wells and Frank Register. Larceny is the offence committed by each of them.

Hall gets 12 months for stealing an umbrella from the residence of Mrs. H. R. Perrin on Second street. Tom Wells' offence was stealing a clock, and that of Frank Register breaking open a colored woman's trunk while carrying it from the depot to her boarding house. Wells will serve a term of twelve months and Register eighteen months.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure prompt and regular delivery.

THE TRUCK GROWERS

Important Meeting of Officials of the East Carolina Association.

SHIPPING RATES REDUCED.

Arrangements to Secure Frost Warnings. Trademark of the Association—Mr. Banman Re-elected Shipping Master.

A joint meeting of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee of the Eastern Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association was held yesterday at the Orton hotel. The meeting began at 11 A. M. and there was an afternoon session. Those present were Mr. W. L. Hill, of Warsaw, president of the Association; Mr. C. M. Steinmetz, of Rose Hill, secretary of the Executive Committee; Mr. J. S. Westbrook, of Faison, vice president of the Association and chairman of the Board of Directors; Mr. J. H. Moore, of Burgaw, secretary of the Board of Directors; Mr. J. C. McMillan, of Teachy; Mr. T. J. Armstrong, of Rocky Point; Mr. S. H. Strange, of Fayetteville; Mr. J. A. Westbrook, of Mount Olive; Mr. J. H. Westbrook, of Wallace; Mr. O. P. Middleton, of Warsaw, and Mr. G. W. Westbrook, of Wrightsville. Later Mr. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, chairman of the Executive Committee, and Mr. D. H. Harnly, secretary of the Association, arrived. Mr. W. T. Hill presided and Mr. C. M. Steinmetz acted as secretary.

Satisfactory Rates Secured.

The report of the committee to confer with the C. F. T. Company in regard to rates for the shipment of strawberries was received from Mr. J. A. Brown and accepted. The rate is $1.00 per crate, making New York the basis. This is a horizontal reduction of 5 cents per crate from last year when the rate was $1.05. Year before last the rate was $1.25.

Frost Warnings.

Mr. G. W. Westbrook made a statement in regard to the possibility of securing telegraphic frost warnings and said that the weather bureau would furnish the necessary flags and warnings if the railroad authorities would provide facilities for distributing them. A committee of three consisting of Messrs. W. L. Hill, J. H. Moore, and C. M. Steinmetz were appointed to consult with Mr. J. R. Kenly, General Manager of the Atlantic Coast Line, and secure his co-operation in the matter of transmitting the warnings. Subsequently the committee saw Mr. Kenly and found him ready and willing to do what was asked of him. He expressed himself as feeling kindly towards the Association and its members believe that what he can do in reason in assisting them in the furtherance of their plans will not be left undone. The same committee by order of the meeting yesterday secured from Mr. Kenly the promise to have a new berry shed erected at Burgaw.

The Association's Stamp.

After discussion it was decided to use in putting on packages of truck the trademark of the association a rubber stamp bearing the name of the association and that of the grower. This is thought to be preferable to labels which were used last year. The directors of the local associations were instructed to get the names of all members desiring the stamp and forward them to the Secretary of the Executive Committee, Mr. C. M. Steinmetz, Rose Hill, N. C.

Mr. Bauman Re-Elected.

Mr. Henry T. Bauman was re-elected shipping master. His services last year so fully demonstrated his fitness for the place that there was no question whatever as to the wisdom of selecting him again.

The meeting adjourned at 4 P. M.

THE TARIFF ASSOCIATION.

Mr. Kyle, the Manager, Will Take Charge of His Office To-day.

Mr. James Kyle, of Fayetteville, the newly elected manager of the Wilmington Tariff Association, arrived in the city last evening and will take charge of his office on the second floor of the Seaboard Air Line building to-day.

The manager, of course, will make Wilmington his headquarters and he is gladly welcomed here. His plans of procedure are not altogether definite enough to be published, but Mr. Kyle takes up the work with the hope of executing it successfully. His excellent railroad training as soliciting freight and passenger agent of the C. F. & Y. V. Railroad will be of great service to him as manager of the Tariff Association.

The work of renovating the rooms in the S. A. L. office for use by Mr. Kyle is about completed. There will be a general and also a private office.

John Brown Will be Second Assistant.

It seems to be the plan now to make John Brown, the colored health officer, second assistant to the city clerk and treasurer. This will be when Mr. Rice goes out, and Messrs. Struthers and Wallace are moved up to the position of city clerk and treasurer and first assistant respectively.

Naval Reserves Activity.

The Naval Reserves are "on the move" all around. Yesterday's Newbern *Journal* says:

At the meeting of the Naval Reserves last night, a special volunteer detail of four members with petty officer in charge was called for a special service under order from the commander of the battalion.

DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT

By the Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E. Church at the Residence of Mr. and Mrs. Shaw.

The Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E. Church gave another of their delightful entertainments yesterday evening from 8.30 to 11 o'clock at the elegant residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shaw on Fourth street near Grace. The apartments were thronged with young people, members and friends of the Grace congregation, and the event netted over $25 for the worthy cause.

The programme rendered during the evening was very similar to that given at Mr. Shaw's home several weeks since. Tableaux and music were the leading features, followed by the serving of delicious and seasonable refreshments.

Among the tableau features, Miss Pearl Galloway represented "Columbia;" Misses Pennington and Blanche Chadwick, "North Carolina's Coat of Arms;" Misses Annie Hankins and Henrietta Shepard, "The Finishing Touches;" Amy Merritt, "Blue Juanite," and Miss Lottie Bryan, "Cleopatra." Every one of them was prettily staged and excellently presented.

A feature of the programme was "Statuary," presented by Miss Louise Corbett. She was gracefully clinging to a cross.

The special songs of the evening were quite enjoyable. Miss Lillie Bell McLaurin rendered "Buy a Broom." Misses Scott, Alice Borden and May Galloway delighted the audience with their presentation of "Swing Song."

Three young ladies, Misses Annie Hankins, Blanche Chadwick and Miss Pennington sang "Bird in Hand." And the last feature of the programme was the singing of "Bill of Fare" by Misses Minnie Perdew, Nora Scott, May Galloway and Dora Hopkins.

The various features of the programme were interspersed with admirably executed instrumental piano selections by Miss Bessie Burtt and Master James Craft.

A NEW PLEASURE CLUB.

About Sixty Young Men Have Signed as Prospective Members.

It is very probable that by the passing of Lent and the dawn of Easter, Wilmington will have a new pleasure organization which will during the coming seasons take a conspicuous place in the city's social life.

A name for the club has not yet been selected; but about sixty young men have signed a list as prospective members. The cost of membership is five dollars membership fees and $24 per year annual dues. Initiation fees will be fixed after the club is organized.

It is the purpose of the promoters of the club to rent the front parlors, dining-room and adjoining apartments in the old Purcell House on Front street, the dining-room to be used as a dance hall. It is expected that the organization will be perfected with one hundred charter members. The first meeting for preliminary purposes will probably be called within the next week or two. Lady friends of the club-men are to choose a name for the organization.

Returning from Southport.

Solicitor H. F. Seawell, of Carthage, was here yesterday returning from Brunswick Court.

There were few cases of interest. In fact this court seldom lasts more than two or three days. Col. A. M. Waddell and Messrs. Franklin McNeill, A. G. Ricaud, and E. K. Bryan were among the lawyers who returned from Southport yesterday.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

We Made You Prices on

Bananas

Which will be standard with us.

We Make You Prices To-day on

Lemons, 1c Each.

PINE STOCK.

PALACE BAKERY,

mar 23 tf 17 South Second Street.

We Are Your Friends.

We have conducted successfully a square, legitimate and honest business, in consequence of which we have had our share of prosperity. All of which encourages us to continue our efforts in this line and we hope to give satisfaction, fill orders promptly, give full value and treat our customers fair, and if we make errors shall promptly correct them.

THIS IS OUR STAND

and we shall hope to win your trade on this basis. We sell from first hands such as

D. S. Meats,

Lard, Flour, Coffee, Grain, and Hay.

Vollers & Hashagen,

Wholesale Provisions.

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The Man You Are After.

How Can You Get Him?

By Calling on

A. SHRIER,

114 Market Street,

where he is offering great bargains in

Shoes and Gents' Furnishing Goods.

A Man's solid Leather Shoe from $1.00 a pair and upwards.
A Boy's solid Leather Shoe for 95c a pair and upwards.
A few sample Shoes for Ladies for $1.00 a pair and upwards, in Opera Toe and Common Sense.
Men's Linen Collars for 5 cents.
Men's working Shirts for 25 cents.
Men's Neglige Shirts for 40 cents and upwards.
Socks for 5 cents a pair and upward.
Regular 50 cents Neck Tie for 25 cents.
Suspenders 10 cents a pair.
Call and see the other bargains he is also offering. mar 18 tf



A TEMPTING MORSEL

for breakfast or dinner is one of our juicy beefsteaks. It is appetizing, delicious and nourishing, as only such high grade meats as we carry can be. Leave your order for beef, mutton, lamb, veal or poultry with us, and we will serve you promptly and with prime juicy meats at bed-rock prices.

I. B. RHODES.

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Seed, Seed, Seed.

NEW CROP

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Administrator's Notice.

HAVING THIS DAY QUALIFIED AS Administrator on the estate of John E. Niemyer, deceased, notice is hereby given to all creditors of his estate to present their claims properly authenticated on or before the 16th day of March, 1899, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. This March 15th, 1898.

JAMES C. NIEMYER, Administrator of John E. Niemyer, deceased.

Postoffice address, 118 Firwood Avenue, Raleigh, N. C.

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Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING DULY qualified as Administrator of the estate of Charles W. Bradley, deceased, hereby gives notice to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against said estate to present them for payment on or before the 16th day of March, 1899, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

This 17th day of March, 1898.

S. JEWETT, Administrator.

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Train Notice.

ON AND AFTER SATURDAY, March 26TH, an extra train will be run on the Seacoast Railroad on Saturdays: Leaving Wilmington at 10 A. M. and leaving Ocean View at 11 A. M.

R. O. GRANT, Superintendent.

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Attention!

A 3-Pound Can Choice Pears.

CUT PRICES THIS WEEK.

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A great bargain. Don't miss it.

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Hay and Peanut Vines.

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Don't buy Molasses until you see our FINEST.

HALL & PEARSALL,

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1000 Caddies Damaged Tobacco.
500 Boxes Plug Tobacco.
100 Barrels Molasses all grades
50 Barrels Cider.
100 Cases Star Lye.
200 Bags Coffee.

SAM'L SHAW, Jr.,

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 23

INTERVENTION IMPERATIVE.

The statement in the Senate by Senator Proctor as to what he saw and learned during his sojourn in Cuba, and as to the situation there as it appeared to him, has attracted universal attention in this country, and is pronounced the most convincing and important utterance on that question yet made in either House of Congress. Some of the Northern papers which have heretofore been very cautious as to declaring for any positive action by this Government to bring the war to a close admit that this statement must have an important and perhaps decisive effect in speeding that action. The fact that Senator Proctor went to Cuba impressed with the belief that many of the published reports about Spanish atrocities and Cuban suffering were wildly extravagant, the creations of what he terms "highly cultivated imaginations" and came back declaring that no picture he had yet seen approximated the shocking realities which he witnessed has given much weight to his words, even if his reputation for carefulness and conservatism were less known than they are.

It was a cold, guarded, unvarnished narrative of heart-sickening wretchedness and misery, not the result of the weakness, the unthriftiness or the folly of the victims, or what is sometimes called "a visitation of Providence," as when the wicked invoke and bring down upon themselves the vengeance of the Almighty, but the deliberately planned and brutally executed work of savages representing a so-called civilized and Christian nation, a war of extermination by the torturing, slow process of starvation of defenceless, helpless, pleading women and children, whose fathers, brothers and husbands the barbarous torturers quail before on the field of battle. No wonder that such a statement, coming so dispassionately from such a source, should have impressed Congress, the press and the country as it has, and is pronounced a most important statement.

As we read it it is more than that. It is one of the strongest arguments yet made for intervention by this Government, although Senator Proctor disclaimed attempting any argument or drawing any conclusions from the facts as he saw and presented them. But it is an argument, all the same, with as much conclusive, convincing and unanswerable logic in it as was ever embraced in any carefully formulated argument.

If this statement were the only evidence we had of the awful condition of the people of Cuba, whom Weyler's heartless savagery corralled in centers where they could be easily watched and shot down by Spanish soldiers if they attempted to escape to where they might find something to eat, it might be inferred that Senator Proctor was mistaken, or was too much touched and too humanely affected by what he saw, but his story is simply the cold, measured corroboration of the awful accounts we have read from newspaper correspondents ever since Weyler's corralling policy was inaugurated, when he declared that the most effective way to crush the rebellion was to "exterminate the breed of rebels." As confirmatory of the Spanish atrocities, the story of which has been so often told that it has become a familiar one throughout the civilized world, we say that this statement of the Vermont Senator is an unanswerable argument for intervention by this Government, and we believe it is so regarded by the members of both Houses of Congress whose manly impulses are not subordinated to other powers, and by the American people, whose chivalry and humanity are not outweighed by dollar and cent considerations.

But aside from the humanity which appeals to us so strongly; aside from the pledges that we as a people, represented by the conventions of our several political parties, have made when we offered our sympathy to the struggling Cubans, and encouraged them to strike and strike hard, with the assurance that they would find friends in us, there are other reasons which would have justified interference long ago.

Spain cannot plead that we, presuming on our strength and her weakness, have shown a disposition to take snap judgment on her for we have dallied, procrastinated, co-operated with her in keeping supplies out of Cuba, have policed the seas and delegated detectives to co-operate with Spanish detectives in prying upon the friends of Cuba to prevent supplies being carried to the stugglers from our shores while the Spaniards came and went and in the open markets bought and shipped all the supplies they had any use for, which, of course, they had the right to do, and which the Cubans had the right to do, although that right was denied to them by a Government overzealous to maintain a reputation for neutrality and to placate the oppressors of these fighters for liberty.

Over two years ago President Cleveland, while unleashing his watch dogs of the sea, indirectly told Spain in his message to Congress that if the insurrection was not suppressed within a reasonable time it might become the duty of this Government to intervene to put an end to the strife.

President McKinley has in different phraseology served the same notice, and finally announced that Spain should have time to try the last resort—autonomy. With all her efforts and Weyler's barbarity, pronunciamentos, braggadocio and type-writer warriors, the insurrection has not been suppressed but is stronger to-day than it was one or two years ago, the Spanish forces on the island are weaker to-day than they were one or two years ago and less hopeful now than they were then, and autonomy—the last desperate shift—has proved a dismal failure, with none, Cuban or loyalist, so poor as to do it reverence. To-day, after three years of Spanish atrocity, the American people are trying and doing much to feed and keep life in two hundred thousand victims of Weyler's incarnate diabolism.

Why then procrastinate the inevitable? Why dally longer, when we must sometime act, and be deaf to the appeals of humanity and to the shrieks for freedom, when we know that we must yet listen to those appeals and answer those shrieks? The loss in money by the interruption of our commerce with Cuba, out of the question; the millions of dollars invested in Cuba by American citizens, out of the question; the money it costs to patrol our coasts whenever there is trouble in Cuba, out of the question; the money it costs to protect our Southern coast cities from contagious diseases imported from Cuba, out of the question, (and that of itself considering not merely the money but the lives that are lost by these imported diseases, would be reason enough for intervention), we are, in view of the public declarations of two Presidents, the action of Congress and the utterances of our party platforms, virtually pledged to intervention and cannot escape it without a forfeiture of honor, and a stigma on our manhood.

It must come sometime; it should come now, and it should come in the shape of a straightout recognition of independence.

MINOR MENTION.

There is neither in this nor in any other country a man who has a stronger hold on the masses of the people than Wm. J. Bryan, who if he were not the magnetic man he is would have worn out his popularity long ago. There is something in him which holds and that something is more than the mere gift of rare eloquence, for there are men who are as eloquent as he, but their eloquence, however captivating it may be, does not draw and bind people to them as people are drawn and bound to him. In every place he visits now to discuss the issue to which he has given so much thought and time and labor, he is greeted with the same cordial greeting that marked his reception during the Presidential campaign, the difference being that the cordiality is more general now, as partisan and factional feeling figure less. He was in New Orleans, where he spoke, a few days ago, and the *States* refers to him thus:

"Mr. Bryan had a very hard time of it yesterday. He came to New Orleans early in the morning and had a perfect whirl of entertainment, meeting gold men and silver men, white men and black men, and he impressed everybody with his splendid eloquence, his earnestness and his magnetism. He fairly carried the city by storm, impressing the newsboy around whom he threw his arms equally with the banker and merchant whom he met at a splendid lunch at the Pickwick Club, and this morning when he departed from the city he carried the best wishes of everybody in New Orleans with him—the people who agree with him and the people who think that if his ideas prevail this Government will get rapidly to the brink of bankruptcy."

The *States* is a Democratic but not a free silver paper. It was opposed to that declaration in the Chicago platform, but loyally supported the nominees of the convention. It does not agree with Mr. Bryan now in his free silver contention, and while confessing that he is a marvellous orator, freely and sharply criticises his speech in that city, and hence it cannot be suspected of hero worshipping in the account it gives of the way he impressed and captivated the people of New Orleans.

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One of the best evidences of the push and progress of a country is the building of railroads, which reciprocally are great factors in push and progress, for the building of one railroad stimulates the building of another and those of more. Judged by this standard Japan, that marvellous nation, stands well up at the front among nations and doesn't ask much odds of the United States, the greatest railway builder in the world. In 1872 she built her first railroad, eighteen miles long. She has continued steadily at it ever since, building on an average something over a hundred miles a year until she now has about 3,000 miles in operation, with more in process of construction and contemplated. This would be a remarkable achievement for those people if they had the raw material all at hand and all the facilities for railway construction, as we have, but in view of the fact that the rails, locomotives, and even many of the cars are imported it is still more remarkable, and a high tribute to their pluck and perseverance. But in addition to this Japan has kept well up in the march of progress in other ways. She has built a formidable navy, revolutionized her army and made it the peer of any army of equal numbers in Europe, built up a splendid merchant marine, established numerous diversified manufactories and is becoming a competitor of other commercial nations which were mighty when Japan's name or ships were unknown upon the seas. A great and wonderful nation is Japan.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— It took four years to settle our quarrel with Spain over the Virginius affair. The present dispute should be settled much quicker than that.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— There is a remarkable resemblance between the tactics adopted by France and Russia in China and those which proved so effective when adopted by Germany to obtain the cession of the Kiao Chow district. The conclusion is inevitable that, unless some strong power shall intervene, Russia will be as completely sovereign in North China, and France in the South, as is Germany in Shantung.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— While we are getting into shape in anticipation of a brush with Spain, which may come because we do not like the way Spain is conducting affairs in Cuba, our countrymen are selling horses and mules to Spain for use in prosecuting her war in Cuba. Not less than 2,000 horses and mules have been shipped from Missouri to Havana for the Spanish army within two weeks.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— Senator Proctor's report of what he learned in Cuba is the work of an intelligent man trained to see things in their proper light and to make proper deductions from what he sees. It was not given as official, but the position of the reporter as a United States Senator, and the fact that he delivered it from his place in the Senate, make it at least semi-official. The same circumstances give it weight and entitle it to be regarded as absolutely authentic. Its graphic descriptions and freedom from all sensationalism make it the most valuable contribution the American people have yet had on the subject of which it treats. For the first time they know exactly how much to believe of the horrible stories of cruelty in Cuba. For the first time they know that it is impossible to believe too much of them. The effect of the Senator's statement upon the American policy with regard to Cuba cannot but be important, if not decisive.—*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Mr. B.—The lady Dabbs is going to marry is highly intellectual. She speaks three languages. Mr. B. (consolingly)—Poor Dabbs.—*Punch.*

— Johnny—"Is a Jingo a man who would like to make war on all foreigners?" Papa—"Yes, my son; and he would prefer to talk the enemy to death."—*Puck.*

— "The jury were out several days, and then failed to agree." "That shows the folly of masculine juries—a jury of women would have disagreed much sooner than that."—*Tit-Bits.*

— She—"I suppose the underground road will be run by electricity?" He—"You can't tell. Electricity will probably be a back number by the time the underground road is built."—*Puck.*

— Look Ahead: "I suppose," remarked the inveterate pessimist, "that when war finally comes, we shall only be fairly started when some fool will get up and propose arbitration."—*Philadelphia North American.*

— One day an Irishman was taking a walk in a small town near Glasgow when he met an old friend. After walking along the road together, Pat's friend said to him: "Have you heard the latest news?" Pat—"No; what is it?" "There's a penny off the loaf." Pat—"Bedad, and I hope it is off the penny ones."—*Tit-Bits.*

— "I'm afeard," remarked Farmer Corntossel, "thet the period of usefulness for thet politician is about to be drawed to a close." "What's the matter?" inquired his wife; "is it a case of overwork?" "No," was the answer; "taint nothin' so onusual as overwork. It's a plain, old fashioned case overtalk."—*Truth.*

— The garbage is collected every Monday on the street in which the D's live. One morning little Helen D. proposed discarding for good a rag doll, of which she had grown tired. I think, mamma, she said, that I'll put it out for the garbage man to carry off. He can take it to the garbage woman, and she can fix it up for the little garbage children to play with.—*Harper's Bazar.*

PERILS OF AFFECTION.

Few People Realize How Exhausting The Tender Sentiment Is—A Physician's Good Advice.

"There is no way by which people exhaust themselves, or kill themselves, so quickly as by exercising the affections."

This striking remark was made by one of the best physicians in America. He was a man who had studied deeply, observed keenly, and knew men and women thoroughly. Continuing, he said:

"Sentiment is a grand, a lovely thing, and the world cannot live without it, but the exercise of the sentiments invariably exhausts. People may not feel it, but it is true, nevertheless. A man or a woman wears out, breaks down, and then wonders at the cause. There should be no occasion for wonder. I have explained the cause."

"If the men and women of the nineteenth century do not feel the forces that produce sentiments, affections, feelings, they are certain to break down, to become exhausted, and to die before their time. Do not tell me these things are theories, for they are solemn facts."

"You ask me what I would do," he continued. "I answer: Begin to feed these forces; feed them constantly; feed them with the best and most scientific discovery you can secure. If you ask me what is the best, I unhesitatingly say it is that grand preparation which has been so long before the people and is so popular, Warner's Safe Cure. I know that it possesses powers known to no other discovery, and I know that thousands of men and women cannot live without it to-day. If you will stop and think, or ask your friends, you will see that what I say is correct, and I believe be led to try it at once if you have not already done so."

The facts stated by the doctor and the advice he gives are sound. It is absolutely true that many men and women are enabled to live and enjoy life entirely through the power which this great remedy gives them, and there are thousands of others who need to follow in the same path.

THE BRITISH "MIDDY."

An English Writer Draws Comparisons Between Him and His American Compeers.

Admiral Sir Vesey Hamilton published not long ago an interesting conversation which he had with an American admiral, wherein the latter spoke with the warmest admiration of the manner in which he saw our young midshipmen handling their boats and keeping their men in order and then drew comparisons between them and his own "fine gentlemen," most unflattering to the latter. His young gentlemen, he said, knew how it ought to be done, but ours knew how to do it.

The difference is great. The British midshipman is brought up in his profession, and when he finds himself suddenly in a tight place he knows what to do instinctively without waiting to reason about it. He does the right thing at once, and as rapidity of action is one of the most important factors of success in nautical matters he generally gets out of his tight place with credit to himself and his profession. Thus he gains confidence at every step and prepares himself for more important commands. On what grounds, then, of logic or of common sense are we about to alter a system which has produced such excellent practical results!

It is only fair, however, to see what can be said on the other side of the question, and thus we would frankly acknowledge that our naval officers are the worst educated in Europe, taking the word "education" in the sense in which it is generally used. It is only quite natural and reasonable that they should be so, for reasons which we have already sufficiently indicated. For our own part we do not think they are by any means such utter ignoramuses as they are sometimes supposed to be and portrayed as being by some self constituted critics.

For instance, a well known civilian writer on naval subjects, masquerading under the title of Nauticus, published lately a violent diatribe on the gross and deplorable ignorance of British naval officers. He described them as being altogether behind the times, as comparing most unfavorably in point of general knowledge with the officers of all European nations as well as with those of the United States. They were held up to scorn for not being "men of the world" and for not being able to "shine in society," in consequence of their faulty education, and it was further stated that they were not sound scientific officers. It is quite possible that all three accusations might be true—the third modified—and yet that ours might be the best naval officers in the world. We say the third modified, as it depends a good deal upon what we understand by a sound scientific officer. It is probable—nay, almost certain—that, so far as abstract science is concerned, our naval officers are surpassed by those of most other countries and certainly by those of France and Germany, but when it comes to the practical application of such scientific or other knowledge as the officers of the different nationalities possess it has been proved a hundred times over that our officers are ahead of all. Ten thousand horsepower which cannot be applied is not so good for propulsive purposes as 5,000 horsepower which can be applied.—Blackwood's Magazine.

The most wonderful wine cellars in the world are underneath a nobleman's palace at Warsaw. They have been used for storing wines for over 400 years, and the whole place is one mass of fungi and stalactites.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing that it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist, and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c. and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. †

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Marion *Democrat:* One of the most important captures ever made in Marion was by Deputy Marshall T. H. D. Gillespie and others of a gang, or part of a gang, counterfeiters on Tuesday night. They were Joseph Hoppas alias Alfred Barnett and Will Barnett.

— Hillsboro *Observer:* One of the leading cotton-buyers at Raleigh was asked his view of the cotton situation in that section. He replied: "The farmers will not reduce the acreage; if they do anything, they will increase it. There was never before so much cotton held in this part of the State."

— Red Springs *Citizen:* Active preparations for farming are going on in every direction. Large quantities of fertilizers are being hauled away. Cotton at 4 cents next fall and goldbug legislation in prospect, the farmers will have a hard time before them in meeting their obligations.

— Concord *Times:* It begins to look as if Concord will have another railroad. Messrs. J. C. Wadsworth, R. A. Brown and M. H. Caldwell have returned from Aberdeen by private conveyance along the route laid out, and have mapped out the stations. Thirteen miles of the road is complete with trains running over it.

— Raleigh *Post:* The State Auditor makes the announcement that the returns on which the taxes will be collected this year show an increase of $5,747,873.04 over the preceding year, of which $1,359,797.40 was made by the State Board of Equalization. This is the increase in the amount of of taxable property. The aggregate value of real and personal property for the year 1897, as reported from the various counties to the Auditor, amounts to $235,502,371.40. This is the property valuation on which taxes will be collected this year. These figures will not appear until next year, when the Auditor's annual report is made. The aggregate value of real and personal property for the year 1896, as will be shown in the Auditor's forthcoming report, amounts to $229,854,498.

— Henderson *Gold Leaf:* The *Gold Leaf* published last week a sketch of the oldest twins in North Carolina, Hugh and Hector McLean, of Harnett county, whose ages are 99 years. It may be claimed that Vance county has the next oldest twins in the State, certainly as far as is known. Messrs. Thomas and Wm. L. Moss were born in 1822, hence are 76 years old. The former lives six miles from Henderson, near Union Chapel, and the latter about one mile from Kittrell, and have always resided within a few miles of their birth-place. Both were married in early manhood but their wives have been dead a number of years and they have never married again. William was blessed with a family of seven children and his brother Thomas reared one. —— Henderson's oldest citizen, and the oldest one in the State, as far as we know, died at her home in this place Monday morning. It was Louisa Smithwick, a colored woman, whose age, apparently well authenticated, is given as 108 years.

A RUSE BOTH WAYS.

How an Actress and Doctor Were Fooling Each Other.

In French theaters the doctor of the theater has a seat given him for every performance. He must be there every evening. Naturally, after he has seen the same piece a score of times he longs to be elsewhere and prefers to give his seat to some of his friends. M. Ernest Blum says that when he was a young man a friend, the doctor of the Theatre Porte St. Martin, gave him his seat. Just as he was becoming interested in the first act the stage manager rushed up—the heroine had a nervous attack and required medical aid! Blum had nothing else to do but to follow him. In the lady's dressing room he found the manager with anguish depicted on every feature and the lady wringing her hands and shrieking.

"Now, doctor, quick! What's to be done?"

Blum grew as red as a lobster, and as he could not say anything he just ejaculated: "Hm! Let us see! Let us see."

He took the lady's hand in a wild attempt to feel her pulse. She shrieked more than ever and writhed like a snake.

"Have you poured any water on her head?" he asked.

"Yes."

"And no effect?"

"None."

"Then don't pour any more."

After this display of medical knowledge he continued:

"Give her a sniff of eau de cologne."

"Haven't any," was the answer.

"Then go fetch some."

Off rushed the manager and the stage manager, and Blum was left with his patient.

Suddenly she opened her eyes and smiled.

"Doctor," she said, "you are a good fellow, aren't you?"

"Yes, ma'mselle."

"You must be, doctor. Now listen. There is nothing the matter with me. You would have found that out soon. I want a couple of days off. Can't you manage it?"

"Delighted!" he replied joyfully. "Now, ma'mselle, you're a good fellow too. I am not a doctor. I came in on the doctor's ticket, so you must not give him away."

By this time the manager and stage manager came back, each with a bottle of eau de cologne. He told them that it was unnecessary now. The lady was quite composed and could appear without any danger. But she must have a few days' rest. They made wry faces, but granted the holiday.—Philadelphia Times.

Tomintoul, in Banffshire, Scotland, is the highest village above sea level in Scotland—if not in Britain. Until recently this village was comparatively unknown in the tourist world.

Men and medicines are judged by what they do. The great cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla give it a good name everywhere. †

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., March ,22 1898.

SCHOONERS.

Emma S, 60 tons, Cahoon, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
John H Tingue, 483 tons, Rhodes, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
Isaac P Campbell, 557 tons, Stevens, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
D J Sawyer, 288 tons, Kelley, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
Victory (Br) 131 tons, Munro, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
Roger Moore, 277 tons, Miller, Jas T Riley & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Yearby (Br) 1665 tons, Goldsworthy, Alex Sprunt & Son.
Kimon (Austrian), 1,244 tons, Saha, Powers, Gibbs & Co.
Cambay (Br), 1693 tons, Rees, Alex Sprunt & Son.

BARQUES.

Ruth (Nor), 445 tons, Olsen, Alex Sprunt & Son.
Broderene (Nor), 631 tons, Kildahl, Heide & Co.

A Curious Phenomenon.

A curious phenomenon, first discovered by M. Charles Margot, was shown in a modified form recently by Professor Roberts-Austen. An electric current was sent through an aluminium wire, raising it to a temperature of 400 degrees above its melting point. Strange to say, it did not fall, the film of the oxide on its surface holding it intact. In this condition it was attracted, owing to the current within it, by a magnet, and by careful manipulation could be made to tie itself into a knot.

The first application of the cable to the traction of street cars was made by Hallidie, in San Francisco, in 1873, who opened the Clay street cable line.

Strong, steady nerves
Are needed for success
Everywhere. Nerves
Depend simply, solely,
Upon the blood.
Pure, rich, nourishing
Blood feeds the nerves
And makes them strong.
The great nerve tonic is
Hood's Sarsaparilla,
Because it makes
The blood rich and
Pure, giving it power
To feed the nerves.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Cures nervousness,
Dyspepsia, rheumatism,
Catarrh, scrofula,
And all forms of
Impure blood

Live With the Dead.

Thousands of Egyptians live in old tombs, eating, sleeping, wooing, loving, laughing, dancing, singing, doing all their deeds of daily life and household work among the mummies and sarcophagi

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. The medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purly vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c a bottle at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

Rev. E. Edwards, pastor of the English Baptish Church at Minersville, Pa., when suffering with rheumatism, was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says: "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me. It subdued the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any sufferer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial, it will please me." For sale by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

Wholesale Prices Current.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Whole- Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6¾
Standard		@	7½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6	@	7¼
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	7½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5¾	@	6
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	5¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New Mork, each		@	1 20
New City, each		@	1 20
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	18	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	46	@	48
Virginia Meal	46	@	48
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	85
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream		@	11
State	10½	@	12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12	@	16
Rio	7½	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	15¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	9	@	10
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	2 80	@	3 50
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	6 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 25	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	4 00
Choice		@	4 90
Straight		@	5 25
First Patent	5 50	@	6 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½	@	8¼
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	48	@	50
Car load, in bags—White	47	@	48
Oats, from store		@	40
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas		@	60
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green		@	8
Dry		@	12
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔s—			
Clover Hay	80	@	85
Rice Straw		@	50
Eastern		@	90
Western		@	85
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾	@	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5¼	@	6
North Carolina	6	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	26
Barbadoes in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar-House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar-House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	12	@	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 45	@	1 50
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	11 50	@	12 00
Rump		@	11 50
Prime		@	11 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool		@	65
Lisbon		@	
American		@	65
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 80	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		@	5¼
Standard A		@	5⅛
White Extra C		@	5
Extra C, Golden		@	4¾
C. Yellow		@	4½
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¾	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	6 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00
WOOL ℔ ℔—Unwashed	8	@	15

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, March 22.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Nothing doing at opening of market. Sales later in the afternoon at 28 cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 27½ cents for country casks.

ROSIN.—Market steady at $1.25 per bbl for strained and $1.30 for good strained.

TAR.—Market steady at 90 cents per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

Quotations same day last year:—Spirits turpentine steady, 26½, 26c; rosin firm, $1.45, 1.50; tar firm, 95 cents; crude turpentine quiet, $1.30, $1.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	12
Rosin	198
Tar	319
Crude turpentine	0

Receipts same day last year.—13 casks spirits turpentine, 402 bbls rosin, 85 bbls tar, 0 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 5¾c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Good Ordinary	3 5-16	cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4⅛	" "
Low Middling	5 5-16	" "
Middling	5¾	" "
Good Middling	6	" "

Same day last year, middling 7c.

Receipts—391 bales; same day last year, 194.

COUNTRY PRODUCE

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 40 to 50c per bushel of 28 pounds; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c. Virginia—Extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 47½ to 50 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—$1.00 to 1.05 per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 8 to 9c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six-inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 7.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Money on call was easy at 1½@2 per cent., with last loan at — per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange easier; actual business in bankers' bills 484@484⅛ for demand; 481¼@481⅜ for sixty days. Posted rates were 482½ and 485@485½. Commercial bills 480¼@480¾. Silver certificates 56@56½. Bar silver 55¾. Mexican dollars 45. Government bonds were irregular; U. S. new 4's registered 121¼; do. coupon, 121¼; U. S. 4's 109½; do. coupon, 111¼; U. S. 2's, 98; U. S. 5's, registered, 111½; do. 5's, coupon, 111¼. State bonds dull; N. C. 6's 125; do. 4's 102¼.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Rosin was steady. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, March 22.—Spirits turpentine dull and no sales. Rosin firm and unchanged; no sales.

SAVANNAH, March 22.—Spirits turpentine firm at 27½c; sales 1,000 casks; receipts 438 casks. Rosin firm; sales of 81 barrels; receipts — barrels; A, B, C, D $1 15, E $1 40, F $1 40, G $1 50, H $1 60, I $1 60, K $1 65@1 75, M $1 70@1 80, N $1 75@1 85, window glass $1 85, water white $2 00.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Early indications gave promise of a new low record for a single day's transactions in cotton futures and for the narrowness of fluctuations. In response to news from Liverpool and on light foreign buying, prices moved up one to two points at the start, but were back to the final figures of yesterday before mid-day under sheer lack of interest. Total dealings to that time were about 25,000 bales. In the afternoon weakness developed under sensational rumors from Washington regarding the Cuban question via the Stock Exchange. Liquidation became quite active and prices eased off four to six points from the highest figures, with the market finally steady at a net loss of two to four points. Total sales 82,200 bales.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Cotton was dull; middling 6⅛c.

Cotton futures closed steady; sales of 82,200 bales; March 5.86c, April 5.86c, May 5.90c, June 5.92c, July 5.94c, August 6.97c, September 5.96c, October 5.96c, November 5.95c, December 5.97c, January 6.00c.

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 6⅛c; middling gulf 6⅜c; sales 616 bales.

Net receipts 321 bales; gross receipts 5,686 bales; exports to Great Britain 11,540 bales; forwarded 1,014 bales; sales 316 bales; sales to spinners 16 bales; stock 186,220 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 21,293 bales; exports to Great Britain 34,486 bales; exports to France 400 bales; exports to the Continent 11,231 bales; stock 975,560 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 57,239 bales; exports to Great Britain 38,853 bales; exports to France 400 bales; exports to the Continent 47,971 bales.

Total since September 1st—Net receipts 7,775,656 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,818,514 bales; exports to France 724,534 bales; exports to the Continent 2,358,619 bales.

March 22—Galveston, quiet at 5 13-16c, net receipts 3,298 bales; Norfolk, nominal at 5⅞c, net receipts 1,248 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 6⅛c, net receipts—bales; Boston, dull at 6⅛c, net receipts 640 bales; Wilmington, firm at 5¾, net receipts 391 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 6⅜c, net receipts 393 bales; Savannah, quiet at 5⅝c, net receipts 1,795 bales; New Orleans, easy at 5 9-16, net receipts 5,854 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5⅝c, net receipts 1,287 bales; Memphis, easy at 5⅝c, net receipts 1,846 bales; Augusta, steady at 5⅞c, net receipts 352 bales; Charleston, steady at 5⅝c, net receipts 7 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Flour was quiet but steadily held. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red $1 04½; options opened firm at ⅛@¼c advance and were strong without exception all day, closing ⅛@⅜c net higher; the advance resulted chiefly from a severe cold wave West affecting short interests in all markets; No. 2 red March closed $1 03⅛; May closed $1 00½c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 36½c; options opened steady advanced slightly during the day with wheat and the influence of larger clearances, closed ⅛c net higher; May closed 34⅛c; July closed 35⅛c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2, 31c; options were firm all day with the other market, closing ⅛c net higher; May closed 30⅛c. Lard firmer; Western steam $5 45; May $5 45, nominal; refined steady. Pork was dull. Butter—the market ruled quiet; Western creamery 15@19c; do factory 12@15c; Elgins 19c; imitation creamery 14@16½c; State dairy 14½@18c; do creamery 15@19. Cheese dull; large white September 8c. Cotton seed oil dull; prime crude 19½@20c; prime yellow 22½@23c. Petroleum dull. Rice firm. Coffee—Spot Rio dull; No. 7 invoice 5⅛c; No. 7 jobbing 6c; mild quiet; Cordova 8½@16c. Sugar—Raw barely steady; fair refining 3½c; centrifugal 96 test 4c; refined quiet

CHICAGO, March 22.—Weather and war probabilities were the chief factors in to-day's wheat market. Fears of damage from the freezing temperature rapidly spreading over the winter wheat belt made the market strong throughout, though the news from Washington had a tendency to restrict trading. May closed 1¼c higher and July advanced ¾c. Corn and oats were both affected by the weather, and advanced about ¼c each. Provisions were very dull and closed substantially the same.

CHICAGO, March 22.—Cash quotations: Flour—market weaker with 10@15c concessions made. Wheat—No. 2 spring —; No. 3 spring —c; No. 2 red 1 03. Corn—No. 2 28¾@28⅞c. Oats—No. 2 26c; No. 2 white, free on board 29¾@32¼c; No. 3 white, free on board, 28¼@29c. Rye—No. 2 49c. Mess pork per bbl., $9 87½@9 90. Lard, per 100 lbs $5 07½@5 10. Short rib sides, loose, $4 90@5 15. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 75@5 00. Short clear sides, boxed, $5 25@5 40. Whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 19½.

The leading futures ranged as follows, opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May $1 05, 1 07, 1 05, 1 06; July 85⅜, 85⅞, 85⅛, 85⅝c. Corn—May 29⅛, 29⅜, 29⅛, 29⅛c; July 30⅛, 30½, 30⅛, 30⅜. September 31½, 31⅝, 31½, 31⅝c. Oats—May 25⅞, 26⅛, 25⅞, 26⅛c; July 23½, 23⅛, 23⅜, 23½c. Pork, per bbl—May $9 87½, 9 92½, 9 85, 9 87½; July $9 97½, 9 97½, 9 90, 9 90. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $5 10, 5 10, 5 10, 5 10; July $5 17½, 5 17½, 5 17½, 5 17½. Ribs, per 100 lbs.—May $5 05, 5 07½, 5 05, 5 09; July $5 10, 5 12½, 5 10, 5 12½.

BALTIMORE, March 22.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat quiet; spot and month 99⅛@99¼c; April 99½@99⅝c; May 99¾c@$1.00; steamer No. 2 red 95⅝@95¾c; Southern wheat by sample 96c@$1.00; do on grade 95½@99½c. Corn firm; spot and month 33¼@33⅜c; April 33⅜@33½c; May 33⅜@34c; steamer mixed 32⅝@32¾c; Southern white corn 33½@34½c; do yellow 32¾@33⅜c. Oats dull and easy; No. 2 white Western 34@34½c; No. 2 mixed do 31¾@32c. Lettuce $1.50@1.75 per basket.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, March 22.—4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot in moderate demand and prices steady. American middling 3 11-32d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 7,400 American. Receipts 19,000 bales, including 18,000 American. Futures opened quiet and steady with a moderate demand and closed steady. American middling (l m c): March 3 18-64d buyer; March and April 3 18-64d buyer; April and May 3 18-64@3 19-64d seller; May and June 3 18-64@3 19-64d buyer; June and July 3 19-64d buyer; July and August 3 19-64@3 20-64d seller; August and September 3 19-64d buyer; September and October 3 19-64d buyer; October and November 3 19-64d seller; November and December 3 18-64@3 19-64d buyer; December and January 3 18-64@3 19-64d buyer; January and February 3 18-64@3 19-64d buyer.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Croatan, 826 tons, McKee, New York, H G Smallbones.

CLEARED.

Schr Joel Cook, 381 tons, Frazier, New York, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Schr D J Sawyer, 288 tons, Kelly, Charleston, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

EXPORTS.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK.—Steamship Oneida—900 bales cotton, 209 bbls spirits turpentine, 102 do rosin, 1,101 do tar, 19 do pitch, 147 do rice, 51,008 feet lumber, 56 pkgs cotton goods, 84 do yarns, 60 do mdse, 580 bags chaff, 100,000 shingles.

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In one of the smaller salt water tanks at the New York aquarium there are a number of small flatfish. The bottom of the tank is covered with coarse gravel. The great bulk of the gravel is composed of pebbles of a brownish white, a sort of pale iron rust color. Scattered in this are pebbles of a deeper tinge, with now and then one of a brownish gray or brown black.

The flatfish lying on the gravel at the bottom of this tank imitate its colors in their own backs in a manner that is marvelous. They are of a mottled brown, like the colors of the gravel, and the smallest of the flatfish is the most wonderful. They are all thin and lie close to the bottom. The edge of the little one blends with it, and its back is a wonderful mosaic of browns so like the gravel of the surrounding bottom that it appears to be a part of it. Even in this clear water at a little distance the fish is scarcely distinguishable.—New York Sun.

Injustice.

As long as injustice continues in the world, so long will there be a place for anger and a mission for it to perform. But, like fire, while it makes a very good servant, it makes a very bad master. Uncontrolled, the one will destroy a city, the other will ruin character and happiness.—New York Ledger.

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THE DOORSTEP.

The conference meeting through at last,
We boys around the vestry waited
To see the girls come tripping past
Like snowbirds willing to be mated.

Not braver he that leaps the wall
By level musket flashes litten
Than I, who stepped before them all
Who longed to see me get the mitten.

But no. She blushed and took my arm.
We let the old folks have the highway
And started toward the Maple farm
Along a kind of lovers' byway.

I can't remember what she said—
'Twas nothing worth a song or story—
Yet that rude path by which we sped
Seemed all transformed and in a glory.

The snow was crisp beneath our feet,
The moon was full, the fields were gleaming;
By hood and tippet sheltered sweet
Her face with youth and health was beaming.

The little hand outside her muff—
O sculptor, if you could but mold it!—
So lightly touched my jacket cuff
To keep it warm I had to hold it.

To have her with me there alone
'Twas love and fear and triumph blended.
At last we reached the foot worn stone,
Where that delicious journey ended.

The old folks, too, were almost home.
Her dimpled hand the latches fingered.
We heard the voices nearer come,
Yet on the doorstep still we lingered.

She shook her ringlets from her hood
And with a "Thank you, Ned," dissembled,
But yet I knew she understood
With what a daring wish I trembled.

A cloud passed kindly overhead,
The moon was slyly peeping through it,
Yet hid its face, as if it said,
"Come! Now or never! Do it, do it!"

My lips till then had only known
The kiss of mother and of sister,
But somehow, full upon her own
Sweet, rosy, darling mouth I kissed her!

Perhaps 'twas boyish love, yet still,
O listless woman, weary lover,
To feel once more that first, wild thrill
I'd give—but who can live youth over?
—Edmund Clarence Stedman.

FIN DE SIECLE CYNICISM.

The Ancient Bible Cry of Ecclesiastes Is This Latest Lament.

The philosophy of life of a certain cynic—in fact, Jonathan Penn—runs thus: At 30 one is actuated by worldly wisdom, at 40 cynicism, and after 40 the meridian of one's experience and philosophy, in any critical exigency, cannibalism. This is only moral egoism, of course, on account of some absurd prejudices.

Jonathan Penn, in his organ for the discouragement of American authors and literature, The Apologist, defines a platitude as a draped lie and an epigram as a truth half nude.

One's muse and mind grow sick with the lack of proper provision for the body.

In riding a hobby it is therefore plain one must be careful to keep within moderation, or it may lead to mania, for it is perilous to push nature to extremities in a world of wolves. As the Russians say, among wolves you must not be a lamb.

Every idealist is eaten up by the shrewd men of affairs, the wolves in sheep's clothing; they are always on the look out for sentimentalists, simpletons and credulous believers in human nature.

This ideal of life is absurd, but not so common as our sentimental literature would have it. Except in the one trade of ideal and irrelevant moral exhortation that heals souls every seventh day, any ideal of life is a great disability and must be lived down before one is of full age, 21, and the serious business of life begins.

I am deeply concerned when I meet any young man who is inspired with the ridiculous desire to lift life to an ideal plane; to throw away his social opportunities and worldly chances; to try to reverse some of the vast burdens of the injustices in the world, and I beg of every young enthusiast to leave reforms and reformers alone—and especially to avoid reformers, a gang of self seeking adventurers who live on credulity and the few good impulses of the few.

In this world we can't afford to nurse any indifference to the demands of the ever intruding mundane life. If we are at all sincerely spiritual, as a temperamental and not an asset of trade, it fixes on us damning defamation. We are as guilty as those who commit those minor vices that are so scrupulously condemned by good citizens and the happy possessors of extrinsic virtues and palpable morality. A moral enthusiasm for any great truth for humanity is a burden that crushes every possible solace of life. The wise let it alone.

Our ideal aims involve sure and irretrievable bankruptcy. We lose both all worldly possessions and joys and pleasures, even love and in the end our own physical well being, the wealth of the mind.—Lotus.

AN ODD KIND OF A TALE.

Told by a Former Telegraph Operator at Red Dirt.

There is in Washington a telegraph operator who for the past five or six years has been able to live without work, because, after 25 years of faithful service at the ticker, an old aunt of his died in New Jersey, leaving him money enough to pay off all his debts and net him an income about twice as big as he ever made per year at his desk.

"I had an odd bit of experience once," he said the other day to a Star man, "which I have told a good many times, but never to a newspaper man, and very rarely to anybody in the last ten or a dozen years. You haven't forgotten, of course, the most lost person of our modern history, one Charlie Ross. Well, when he was stolen, I was an operator at a mining town of 1,000 or 1,200 people, called Red Dirt, something over 100 miles from Denver. I may say that there isn't any town there at all now and hasn't been for 15 years.

"There wasn't a great deal of business done over the Red Dirt wire, and my duties after dark were mostly at the leading gambling place in town, which was the only respectable resort we had. I slept in the office to be handy in case of sudden calls, and one night about a year or 16 months after the Charlie Ross disappearance I had just returned from the Seven Up saloon—usually known as the Seven Uppers' House—and was getting into bed when I was startled by the ticker beginning to have spasms.

"I rushed to it to find out what was the matter, and, as I did so, whoever was making the disturbance had got himself in shape, and as fast as he could get the words to me he was telling me that he was one of the men who had stolen the Ross boy, and was then in the hands of the others, who refused to restore the child to his father and had threatened to kill him (the sender) if he made any attempt to betray the party. They had the boy with them then, and they were at—and here there was a worse spasm than ever, and not another tick came. To say I was shaken up but ill expresses it, but it was a stormy night, and to go searching was impossible until daylight, and, notifying our town marshal of what I had heard, I tried to call my only neighbor, the operator on the main wire, where the Red Dirt branch tapped him, 60 miles away.

"I could not get him, and after repeated failures I went to bed, to start off with the marshal at daybreak to find out what the matter was. We did not strike it till next day in the afternoon, when, in one of the wildest parts of the mountains, about ten miles from the main line, we found the wire cut and evidences of a struggle at the foot of a telegraph pole, with spots of blood on the stones about the place. What it meant, who had done it, why the parties were there, whether they were as the one had represented, or anything in the way of explanation, we did not know. All we knew was what had come to me over the wire at midnight. We went on to the main wire, but the operator there was on a drunk and had been for 36 hours, and he did not know as much as we did."—Washington Star.

SHOOTING FLYING FISH.

A Novel Sport Carried on In Southern California Waters.

The visitor to the island of Santa Catalina or he who goes out on the launches from Long Beach or San Pedro is always entertained by the remarkable flights of flying fish, which in these waters attain a length of 18 inches and a weight of 2 pounds. Alarmed by the boat or steamer, they dash out of the water by a vigorous movement of the screwlike tail and dash away in headlong flight, skimming over the waves like birds, presenting so remarkable an appearance that the tourist who has never seen so extraordinary a performance takes them for birds. The flying fish is not flying, but it has four very winglike fins which serve it a similar purpose—that is, it hurls itself out of the water by the aid of its tail, and then, using the four winglike fins as parachutes, goes soaring away, covering a distance of an eighth of a mile. When the inertia fails, the tail of the fish drops, and the moment it strikes the water it begins a violent twisting, which sends the fish into the air again, and by repeating this the fish is enabled to cover the long distance. The wings or fins are not flapped, the only motion being a tremulous one imparted to them when the tail is twisted in the water. As the boat glides along these fish dart from the water and go soaring away on either side, and it is then that the sportsman, sitting in the bow, has an opportunity for some novel sport.

The fish move like some quail, very low, not more than two feet from the surface, and are not the easy shots one might imagine. They move rapidly and appear to rise and fall over the waves and go sweeping away in graceful curves. Sometimes four or five are in the air at the same time, and the good shot can bring them down to the right and left. All that is needed to carry out the idea of quail shooting would be to have a dog, but there is a sea dog that flushes this attractive game, the agile tuna. The flying fish is its legitimate prey, and big schools come sweeping in from the deep sea, driving the schools of flying fish before them, chasing them into the air six, eight and ten feet, giving marvelous exhibitions of lofty tumbling. At such times the flying fishes are crazed with terror and leave the water by scores and hundreds. They fly into boats, out upon the dry beaches, strike boatmen who happen to be in the way of their headlong flight and present a most attractive appearance to those who have never seen a flock of ocean fliers in the air with fish 6 or 7 feet long pursuing in a series of leaps or jumps. Sometimes the tuna chases the flier along just below the surface, catching it as it drops, a cloud of foam alone telling the story.—Santa Catalina.

Poverty is the only load which is the heavier the more loved ones there are to assist in supporting it.—Richter.

Try Holding Your Breath.

The modern quick moving elevator, when it sinks suddenly, gives many persons an unpleasant, qualmish feeling. Into a well filled elevator in a big shopping store the other day stepped from one of the floors two women.

"Do you know," said one of them to the other, "that if you hold your breath going down in an elevator you don't have that unpleasant feeling; you don't feel it at all."

Of course nobody in the elevator listened intentionally, but nobody could help hearing what she said. Conversation instantly ceased, and everybody drew a long breath. The elevator shot downward in silence.

"Ground floor!" said the elevator man as he threw back the door, and the women streamed out from the car upon the floor, talking now gayly, and there was one at least who said that the plan was effective.—New York Sun.

One For the Debating Club.

A group of half a dozen physicists, all eminent; a sheet of paper, a pencil. With the latter one of the group draws a pulley, a cord over the pulley, a tree, a bough from which the pulley hangs. To one end of the cord is attached a stone, to the other cord clings a monkey. The stone balances the monkey. If the monkey proceeds to climb up the cord, what will happen? Will the stone rise or fall? Heated discussion; break up of the party; no result. Can any of your readers help to settle this question?—Alfred Jingle in Engineer.

The Sphinx's Riddle.

Johnny—What is "the riddle of the sphinx?"

Papa (with a meaning glance at mamma)—The riddle of the sphinx is this: How can she, being at least part woman, sit there year after year and century after century without ever saying a word? Ah, my boy, I guess it'll never be answered either!—Cleveland Leader.

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9 20 a. m., leaves Weldon 11:55 a. m., Raleigh 3:34 p. m., Sanford 5:08 p. m., Hamlet 6:53 p. m., Rockingham 7:20 p. m., Wadesboro 8:11 p. m., Monroe 9:12 p. m., Charlotte 10:25 p. m., Athens 3:45 a. m., and Atlanta 5:20 a. m. Connects at Weldon with train from Richmond and all Northern points. Pullman sleeper, Portsmouth to Nashville, Tenn.

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Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 m. leaves Athens 3:16 p. m., Monroe 9:40 p. m. Leaves Rutherfordton 4:35 p. m., arrives Shelby 5:55 p. m., Lincolnton 6:56 p. m., Charlotte 8:25 p. m., Monroe 9:40 p. m., Wadesboro 10:31 p. m., Rockingham 11:05 p. m., Hamlet 11:23 p. m., Sanford 1:02 a. m., Raleigh 2:16 a. m., Weldon 4:55 a. m., Portsmouth 7:30 a. m., Richmond 8:30 a. m., Washington 12:31 noon. Pullman sleepers, Atlanta to Washington and Chester to Portsmouth.

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Leave Fayetteville	12 18 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	12 25 "
Leave Sanford	1 48 "
Leave Climax	3 47 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 20 "
Leave Greensboro	4 30 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 17 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 47 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 15 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	7 45 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 DAILY.
Leave Mt. Airy	8 40 A. M.
Leave Rural Hall	10 04 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 33 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 06 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro	12 17 P. M.
Leave Climax	12 45 "
Leave Sanford	2 36 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 55 "
Arrive Fayetteville	4 00 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 10 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4. DAILY.
Leave Bennettsville	8 00 A. M.
Arrive Maxton	9 02 "
Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. DAILY.
Leave Fayetteville	4 50 P. M.
Leave Hope Mills	5 07 "
Leave Red Springs	5 43 "
Arrive Maxton	6 11 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed Daily Ex Sunday.
Leave Ramseur	6 40 A. M.
Leave Climax	8 30 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 35 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 15. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Madison	12 35 P. M.
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Arrive Greensboro	2 45 "
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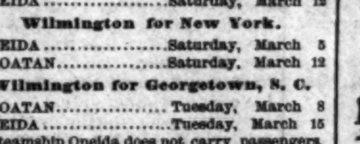
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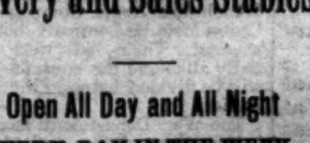
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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.35 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.02 a. m., Warsaw 11.15 a. m., Goldsboro 12:05 a. m., Wilson 12:55 p. m., Rocky Mount 1:40 p. m., Tarboro 2:31 p. m., Weldon 4.33 p. m., Petersburg 6.29 p. m., Richmond 7:15 p. m., Norfolk 6.05 p. m., Washington 11:30 p. m., Baltimore 1:06 a. m., Philadelphia 3:50 a. m., New York 6:53 a. m., †Boston 3:00 p. m.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8:55 p. m., Warsaw 9:10 p. m., Goldsboro 10:10 p. m., Wilson 11.06 p. m., †Tarboro 6:35 a. m., Rocky Mount 11:57 p. m., Weldon 1:42 a. m., †Norfolk 10:30 a. m., Petersburg 3:14 a. m., Richmond 4 a. m., Washington 7:41 a. m., Baltimore 9:03 a. m., Philadelphia 11:25 a. m., New York 2.03 p. m., Boston 9:00 p. m.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4:13 p. m., Newbern 5:40 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 4.00 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 5:09 p. m., Chadbourn 5:41 p. m., Marion 6:43 p. m., Florence 7:25 p. m., Sumter 9:10 p. m., Columbia 10:30 p. m., Denmark 6:12 a. m., Augusta 7:55 a. m., Macon 11:15 a. m., Atlanta 12:25 p. m., Charleston 10:50 p. m., Savannah 1:50 a. m., Jacksonville 7:30 a. m., St. Augustine 10:30 a. m., Tampa 5:25 p. m.

ARRIALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1:03 p. m., *New York 9:00 p. m., Philadelphia 12:05 a. m., Baltimore 2:50 a. m., Washington 4:30 a. m., Richmond 9:05 a. m., Petersburg 10:08 a. m., Norfolk 8:40 a. m., Weldon 11:32 a. m., Tarboro 12:12 p. m., Rocky Mount 12:47 p. m., Wilson 2:37 p. m., Goldsboro 3:20 p. m., Warsaw 4:11 p. m., Magnolia 4.24 p. m.

DAILY 9.30 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9:30 a. m., Philadelphia 12:09 p. m., Baltimore 2:25 p. m., Washington 3:46 p. m., Richmond 7:30 p. m., Petersburg 8:12 p. m., †Norfolk 2:20 p. m., Weldon 9:43 p. m., †Tarboro 6:01 p m., Rocky Mount 5:40 a. m. Leave Wilson 6:22 a. m., Goldsboro 7:01 a. m., Warsaw 7.53 a. m., Magnolia 8:05 a. m.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9:00 a. m., Jacksonville 10:26 a. m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.20 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8:10 a. m., Sanford 3:27 p. m., Jacksonville 7:40 p. m., Savannah 1:45 a. m., Charleston 6:33 a. m., Columbia 6.45 a. m., Atlanta 8:30 a. m., Macon 9:00 a. m., Augusta 2:30 p. m., Denmark 4:25 p. m., Sumter 8:12 a. m., Florence 9:58 a. m., Marion 10:36 a. m., Chadbourn 11:38 a. m., Lake Waccamaw 12:09 p. m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3:55 p. m., Halifax 4:30 p. m.; arrive Scotland Neck 5:20 p. m., Greenville 6:57 p. m., Kinston 7:55 p. m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7:50 a. m., Greenville 8:52 a. m.; arriving Halifax at 11:18 a. m., Weldon 11:33 a. m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8:20 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.; arrive Parmele 9:10 a. m. and 4:00 p. m.; returning leaves Parmele 9:35 a. m. and 6.30 p. m.; arrives Washington 11:00 a. m. and 7:20 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5:30 p. m.; Sunday, 4:15 p. m.; arrives Plymouth 7:40 p. m. and 6:10 p. m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7:50 a. m. and Sunday 9:00 a. m.; arrive Tarboro 10:05 a. m. and 11:00 a. m.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7:10 a. m.; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 8:30 a. m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9:00 a. m.; arrive Goldsboro 10:25 a. m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p. m.; arrives Nashville 5.05 p. m., Spring Hope 5.30 p. m. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 8.00 a. m., Nashville 8.35 a. m.; arrive Rocky Mount 9.05 a. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.20 a. m. and 4.15 p. m. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 a. m. and 3.00 p. m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.38 a. m., arrive Latta 10.26 a. m., Dillon 10.30 a. m., Rowland 10.54 a. m. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.13 p. m.; arrives Dillon 6.31 p. m., Latta 6.46 p. m., Pee Dee 7.10 p. m., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8:30 a. m., Chadbourn 11:43 a. m.; arrive Conway 2:03 p. m.; leave Conway 2:45 p. m., Chadbourn 5:45 p. m.; arrive Hub 6:25 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6:27 p. m., Manning 6:58 p. m.; arrive Lane's 7:36 p. m.; leave Lane's 8:34 a. m., Manning 9:08 a. m.; arrive Sumter 9:37 a. m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9:30 a. m., 7:55 p. m.; arrive Georgetown 12:00 m., 9:14 p. m.; leave Georgetown 7:00 a. m.; 3:00 p. m.; arrive Lane's 8:25 a. m.; 5:25 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9:55 a. m.; arrive Darlington 10:28 a. m., Cheraw 11:40 a. m., Wadesboro 12:35 p. m.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 8:00 p. m.; arrive Darlington 8.25 p. m., Hartsville 9:20 p. m., Bennettsville 9:21 p. m., Gibson 9:45 p. m. Leave Florence Sunday only at 9:55 a. m.; arrive Darlington 10:27 a. m., Hartsville 11:10 a. m.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6:35 a. m., Bennettsville 6:59 a. m.; arrive Darlington 7:50 a. m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday at 7:00 a. m.; arrive Darlington 7:45 a. m.; leave Darlington 8:55 a. m.; arrive Florence 9:20 a. m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4:25 p. m., Cheraw 5:15 p. m., Darlington 6:29 p. m.; arrive Florence 7:00 p. m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only at 8:15 a. m., Darlington 9.00 a. m.; arrive Florence 9:20 a. m.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2:20 p. m., 11:16 p. m.; arrive Selma 3.15 p. m., Smithfield 3:22 p. m., Dunn 4:00 p. m., Fayetteville 4:47 p. m., 1:14 a. m., Rowland 6:13 p. m.; returning leave Rowland 10.54 a. m., Fayetteville 12:18 p. m., 10:15 p. m., Dunn 1:01 p. m., Smithfield 1:39 p. m., Selma 1:47 p. m.; arrive Wilson 2:35 p. m., 12:09 a. m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad trains leave Sumter 4:29 a. m., Creston 5:17 a. m.; arrive Denmark 6:12 a. m. Returning leave Denmark 4:25 p. m., Creston 5:30 p. m., Sumter 6:25 p. m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5:45 a. m.; arrive Pregnalls 9:15 a. m. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10:00 a. m.; arrives Creston 3:50 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliot 11:10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; arrive Lucknow 1:00 p. m and 8:50 p. m. Returning, leave Lucknow 6:05 a. m. and 2:00 p. m.; arrive Elliot 8:25 a. m. and 3:30 p. m.

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3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
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5 35	5 45	Newbern	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 02	Morehead City	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 23

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

A Long Discussion in the Senate on the National Quarantine Bill.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Naval Appropriation Bill Reported—The Contested Election Case of Thorp vs. Eppes from the Fourth Virginia District Debated.

By Telegraph to the Morning Sta.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—A feature of the Senate proceedings to-day was an extended speech by Senator Caffery, of Louisiana,, in support of the pending national quarantine bill. In the course of his argument Senator Caffery said that he wanted the whole quarantine power in the hands of the United States Government, the only authority which could make a quarantine effective, and he added that he was as staunch a State's rights advocate as any man. "We want," said he, "a central quarantine authority upon which responsibility may rest. We want uniformity of action in this matter of quarantine regulations backed by such financial and legal power as will enable the authorities to cope with the dread disease which are likely to ravage the country."

Senator Bacon, of Georgia, interrupted Senator Caffery to inquire whether he would object to the following amendment to the pending bill: "Nothing in this act shall be construed to interfere with the right of any State or municipality to protect its citizens from infectious, contagious or epidemic diseases by such rules and regulations as the authorities of said State or municipality may deem necessary." This amendment will be proposed by Senator Bacon.

In reply to Senator Bacon's inquiry, Senator Caffery said he saw no objection to the terms of the amendment, as he understood it. If the State or municipal power were sufficient, he said, he would not insist that the national authorities should be paramount, but it was evident that State and municipal authorities were unable to properly cope with epidemics.

In conclusion, after speaking for nearly three hours, Senator Caffery said that State quarantines were utterly inefficient, utterly powerless against an epidemic of yellow fever.

Senator Carter, of Montana, began a speech in support of the bill to provide a civil government for the district of Alaska, but had not concluded when the morning hour expired.

Senator Gallinger, of New Hampshire, who recently returned from a trip to Cuba, announced that, yielding to the kind solicitations of many Senators, he would to-morrow, immediately after the morning business had been transacted, briefly address the Senate upon his observations in Cuba, unless, in the meantime, something should occur tolprevent it.

At 4:40 P. M., on motion of Senator Chandler, of New Hampshire, the Senate went into executive session and afterwards adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The Naval Appropriation bill was reported to the House to-day, but as it had not been printed, the contested election case of Thorp vs. Eppes, from the Fourth Virginia district, was taken up and debated until 4 o'clock, when the House, owing to the illness of Mr. Rhea, of Kentucky, who was to speak this afternoon, adjourned until to-morrow.

The case will be disposed of to-morrow. The prevailing impression is that Mr. Eppes, the sitting member, will be unseated, as upon the decision in this case will largely depend the decision in the two other Virginia cases in which practically the same questions are involved. Mr. Eppes had 2,631 plurality on the face of the returns. Extensive frauds were charged and the majority of the committee found that Mr. Thorpe should have received 307 plurality, and upon their finding recommend that he be seated.

Mr. Miers, Democrat, Indiana, in reply to Mr. Walker, Republican, Virginia, declared that the unseating of Mr. Eppes would be a gross outrage. The majority of the committee, he said, disregarded the plainest principles of law, misstated and garbled the evidence, disfranchised the entire city of Petersburg and the county of Lunenburg and eleven other precincts in the district. From an explanation of the record in the case, Mr. Miers said that the minority of the committee were unable to deduct from the plurality returned for Mr. Eppes any of the precincts mentioned by the majority report except forty votes in Poarch and Ross precincts in Brunswick county.

At 4.15 the House adjourned.

BASE BALL AT WAKE FOREST.

College Team Defeat Augusta, Ga., League Team.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WAKE FOREST, N. C., March 22.—Augusta, Ga., League team, to-day went down before Wake Forest College team. Wake Forest put a heavy batting team out, making 27 hits; Augusta making 10. The principal features of the game were the heavy batting of both teams; home runs of Coggin and H. Sams and the three-base hits of H. Sams. The outfielding of the home team was perfect, capturing thirteen out of as many chances. Score: Wake Forest, 20; Augusta, 14.

TWO FILIBUSTERS LAND.

Large Supplies of Stores and Shot and Shell for the Cubans.

HAVANA, March 20.—It was learned yesterday, from good authority, that two expeditions, with large quantities of stores, arms and ammunition, disembarked on the coasts. One is reported to have landed between Havana and Matanzas, in the vicinity of Boca Jaruco.

The death of Henry Williams, one of the diving force of the American tug Chief, of the Merritt Wrecking Company, in Havana harbor, occurred yesterday.

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A LONG SESSION OF THE CABINET.

Determined That Present State of Affairs in Cuba Must Come to An End.

SITUATION VERY CRITICAL.

Emergency Preparations Continue—Negotiations for Purchase of Ships Going Steadily Forward—New Recruiting Offices Opened.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The cabinet meeting to-day lasted something over an hour and was devoted exclusively to the Spanish situation in general, and to the forthcoming report of the Maine Court of Inquiry in particular. The tone of the discussion was very firm and determined that there must come an end to the present state of affairs in Cuba. Secretary Long authorized the statement that the understanding before the cabinet was that the report would reach Washington Thursday or Friday, that it was very voluminous, and that its publication and transmission to Congress would not occur until next Monday or Tuesday, as the President would require that much time to give the document the mature consideration its momentous character required. Other cabinet officers stated that the general plan included the sending of a President's message along with the report, stating that Spain had been called upon to make suitable response to the case presented by the Court of Inquiry. While the cabinet associates of the President maintained their usual reserve as to the exact character of the deliberations, it was conceded that the discussion proceeded on the theory that the coming report would show that the Maine explosion was not the result of an accident, but was due to an external cause. This was not because of any positive information, however, as to the findings of the court. There is no doubt that substantial unanimity exists on the part of the President and all his cabinet, both as to the Maine question and the general subject of Cuba. The possibility of a recourse to intervention in case Spain declined to make suitable response to the representations we will make after receiving the Maine report has been fully discussed, although necessarily it has been an abstract discussion thus far, and no conclusion has been reached or is possible until the vital question as to the court's findings are before the President and cabinet. At the same time there is a very evident intention to consider all eventualities, including the recourse to intervention, the recognition of independence and other methods which appear to suitably meet the requirements of such a condition. It is believed to be the intention of the President, however, to bring about a very material and satisfactory condition to Cuba by what shall seem to be the best and most practicable method of obtaining this end. It is the hope of the administration that Spain herself will so far realize the situation as to see the necessity for such radical action on her part with respect to Cuba as shall command the approbation of this country and thus at once put an end to all differences.

The Flying Squadron.

Outside of the cabinet meeting the day was exceptionally quiet. Secretary Long was able to clear his desk at 3:30 o'clock for the first time since the Maine disaster occurred, and he left the Department before office hours closed to enjoy a walk. During the afternoon the Bureau of Navigation posted the notice that the battleship Massachusetts had sailed from Key West for Hampton Roads, following the Texas, which left yesterday. About the same time Commodore Schley, who had been suggested as the probable commander "of the flying squadron," centred at Hampton Roads, called at the department and had a conference with Assistant Secretary Roosevelt. The cruiser Brooklyn is at Newport News and the monitor Puritan is under orders to proceed there, so that these vessels will be near the Hampton Roads rendezvous, if it is determined to establish the squadron there. Orders for this move have not been made, however, nor has Commodore Schley received any information from officials that he would be placed in command of the squadron.

The Navy Department continues to keep informed as to the Spanish torpedo flotilla, now stopping at the Canaries. It can be stated positively that President McKinley has protested against the coming of this flotilla is unwarranted. There has been no such protest.

A Coaling Station.

Serious attention is being given by the Navy Department officials to the question of the acquisition of a suitable location for a coaling station somewhere in the West Indies. Steps have been taken already to establish such a station at the Dry Tortugas, but this, it is said, is the only deep water harbor available for big war vessels between Hampton Roads and the Rio Grande. Besides, it is practically unprotected at present and a fleet would have to be stationed there to protect the coal stored, which is unsatisfactory. There are a number of fine harbors among the West Indies, said a naval officer to-day, and one of these we ought to have for a coaling station Secretary Long is considering the matter and it is probable that if the government can make the necessary arrangements a station will be secured.

Large Supplies of Powder.

At the War Department bids were opened in the Bureau of Ordnance for supplying 470,000 pounds of brown prismatic powder for the seacoast fortification guns. There were only two bidders, the California Powder Company and the Dupont Powder Company.

In a day or two the Ordnance Bureau will award the contract for supplying the department 2,000,000 smokeless powder rifle-ball cartridges of .30 calibre. Two concerns submitted bids for furnishing these cartridges, the Winchester Arms Company and the Union Metallic Company, both of Connecticut. Their bids were substantially alike and the contract probably will be divided between the two companies.

The War Department has received information of the arrival at New York of the steamer Nordkyn with 5,700 pounds of foreign smokeless powder also ordered. This powder is for testing purposes at the Sandy Hook testing grounds.

No Overtures to Spain.

Pending a decision of the government's final policy, no overtures or intimations have been conveyed to the Spanish government, and there is no official knowledge as to how Spain would regard a recognition of Cuban independence or intervention. The Spanish minister, Senor Polo, requested to-day that a statement be made that reports attributing to him expressions on the subject were unwarranted and untrue. Senor Polo says he has not discussed this or any other of the pending questions.

Negotiations for Ships.

The negotiations for the purchase of ships abroad is going steadily forward, but there was a regretable disappointment in this connection to-day. The authorities had been exceedingly anxious to get the big torpedo cruiser Tupy, built for Brazil. She is one of the most formidable torpedo crafts afloat, her size placing her in the cruiser class, while her torpedo armament gives her the effectiveness of torpedo-boat and cruiser combined. It was learned positively to-day, however, that the Brazilian government would not part with the Tupy, and this closes the efforts for one of the best ships under negotiations.

In a small measure this was offset by the success of the Navy Department in securing a trim little Yarrow-built launch, which, though very small, will serve as a harbor torpedo boat. She is of the same class of craft as the Moxoto, built for the Brazilian navy.

Movements of Warships.

The Navy Department was notified to-day of the arrival of the cruiser Cincinnati and the gunboats Castine and Wilmington at Port Antonio, Jamaica. This is about the same distance from the south shore of Cuba as Key West is from the north shore. The gunboat Marietta announced her arrival at Panama. The Marblehead has gone from Port Tampa to Dry Tortugas.

Captain Barker, naval aide to the Secretary of the Navy, returned to his desk at the Navy Department to-day after a few days absence. He went to Key West on a secret mission, the exact nature of which has not been disclosed. Inasmuch as he conferred at length with Rear Admiral Sicard, commanding the North Atlantic squadron and with Captain Sampson, president of the Navy Court of Inquiry investigating the cause of the Maine disaster, there appears to be good reason for the inference that his business related to that affair and its possible consequences.

Enlistment of Recruits.

One of the most active branches of the Navy Department just now is that engaged in the enlistment of recruits for various positions in the service. Yesterday notice was given by advertisement that recruiting stations would be opened at a number of cities, mostly on the coast. To-day, in response to representations that have come to hand, the enlistment bureau gave notice that a board of officers would be detailed to visit various cities in the vicinity of the Great Lakes, where, it is said, there are a number of persons who would be willing to enter the service. Many of them are Scandinavians, who have been at sea in their native country.

Battleships to be Launched.

President Orcutt, of the Newport News Shipbuilding Company, talked with Secretary Long to-day on the plans for the launching of the new battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky at Newport News next Thursday. Owing to the condition of affairs here, Mr. Long is not likely to attend the launching, as Thursday is the day on which the report of the Court of Inquiry may be received. For the same reason many of the naval chiefs who had hoped to see these fine ships glide into the water will be unable to attend the launching.

A distinguished party is to leave to-morrow night, however, including members of the Senate and House Naval Committees and such naval officers as are not pressed by the present emergency coditions Mr. Orcutt stated that the Kearsarge would leave the ways at 10 A. M. Thursday morning and the Kentucky one hour later. Mrs. Herbert Winslow, wife of Lieutenant Commander Winslow, and Miss Christine Bradley, daughter of Governor Bradley, the two young ladies who will christen the Kearsarge and Kentucky, respectively, will reach Newport News to-morrow. Gov. Bradley and a party of three hundred Kentuckians will arrive then also to do fitting honor to the ship which bears the name of their State. After the launching an hour will be given to inspecting the shipyard, including the work on the big battleship Illinois, and later a collation will be served. Mr. Orcutt speaks in the highest terms of the new battleships and says that on a pinch they could be made ready for service within eight months and possibly less.

Possible Retirement of Sicard.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—In view of the possible retirement of Rear Admiral Sicard, on account of ill health, there is considerable speculation as to his probable successor. There is an abundance of excellent material for the selection of a new commander of the North Atlantic squadron, including Rear Admiral Bunce, commandant of the New York navy yard, and Commodore J. A. Howell, recently in command of the European squadron. Other officers of slightly lower rank who are mentioned as likely of selection to the command of the home station are Commodore W. S. Schley, now on duty in this city as president of the Light House Board, and Capt. W. T. Sampson, commanding the Iowa. In view of the circumstances of the case, it is more than likely that the matter will be settled immediately upon the receipt of the report of the Board of Survey, which probably will be submitted before the end of the week.

Situation Very Critical.

Senators Allison and Gorman saw the President to-day by appointment. The President desired to consult them regarding the present Cuban situation, as he has been consulting others. Little could be learned concerning the nature of the conference, but it is known that the President desires the views of leading men of both parties at this time on the situation, which is considered very critical.

SPAIN'S TORPEDO FLOTILLA.

Madrid Newspapers Publish Movements of U. S. Warships.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID, March 22.—The papers here publish full reports of the movements of the United States warships and of defensive preparations being made by the government of the United States.

It is reported that the Spanish warship selected to convoy the torpedo flotilla has sailed from Carthagena for the Canary islands. It appears that the delay in the voyage of the torpedo boats is due to the fact that the Ariete, one of the Spanish torpedo boats, sustained some slight damage while on her way from Cadiz to the Canaries.

The Spanish newspapers advocate further strengthening of the naval squadron in Cuba, so as not to be caught at disadvantage in case of war.

In Dallas county, Ala., Sam Ellis, negro, confessed to attempting to assassinate H. A. Hardy, who was shot while in his store in October. The court ordered the negro to jail, but a mob took the prisoner to the woods and hanged him to a limb.

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STILL A MATTER OF SURMISE.

Finding of the Court of Inquiry as to the Disaster to the Battleship Maine.

EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON.

Commander Marix Expected to Deliver the Documents To-morrow Night—Further Investigation May be Required.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KEY WEST, FLA., March 23.—Lieutenant Commander Marix, Judge Advocate of the United States naval Court of Inquiry into the loss of the battleship Maine, left Key West this afternoon, on his way to Washington, by the City of Key West, for Miami, taking with him the report of the Court of Inquiry on the disaster.

Commander Marix brought the report ashore from the Nashville to-day and Rear Admiral Sicard, with Commander Marix spent several hours in its further revision.

All the officers of the Maine now here, except Paymaster's Clerk McCarthy, have received orders to leave for their homes, there to await orders, as in the case of other officers who left here last week. This is considered to be evidence that the court did not require corroboration of technical evidence as was thought a few days ago.

Before leaving Key West Commander Marix said nothing could be given out about the work of the Court of Inquiry or its findings. Personally, the commander said, he was intensely relieved at completing his labors.

The decision reached by the court is still a matter of surmise. Perhaps some significance may be attached and conclusions drawn from a remark made by Admiral Sicard last night, when he said to a correspondent: "The case of the Maine is most peculiar, perhaps the most peculiar which has ever occurred in the history of the world." From the general tone of his remarks it might be inferred that the court findings do not definitely solve the mystery of the explosion. This is further borne out by the Admiral's statement that even after the report had been sent to Washington the department may require further investigation.

Lieutenants Jungen and Hood, Cadets Bronson and Boyd, Passed Assistant Engineer Bowers, Assistant Engineer Morriss and Carpenter Hilms, of the Maine, left here to-day on the City of Key West for Miami.

Gunner Hale, of the lost battleship will leave later. There are no command officers of the Maine here.

Still a Matter of Surmise.

The report of the Court of Inquiry left here to-day in the custody of Lieutenant Commander Marix, Judge Advocate. If the train connections be made he will arrive in Washington with the documents Thursday night. Within the last five days a minority sentiment has been steadily growing that the court has been unable to determine definitely the cause of the explosion. Still it is true that a majority hold to the conviction that the report will find and prove that the Maine was blown up intentionally.

The sending of the report to-day to Washington, was an undramatic climax to weeks of waiting. Lieutenant Commander Marix went aboard the Nashville early in the day and brought off the findings. After a prolonged conference with Rear Admiral Sicard, certain alterations were made, and then Admiral Sicard affixed his signature of approval. After luncheon Lieutenant Commander Marix boarded the steamer City of Key West and sailed for Miami at half-past 4 o'clock, with the report safely stowed away in state room No. 16.

Despite the absence from Key West of the documents on which the eyes of the world are fixed, the Court of Inquiry continues in existence, though inactive. Should the Navy Department require further investigation and express dissatisfaction with the findings, it is probable that the court would be obliged to return to Havana, though the release of the Maine officers held here as witnesses until to-day makes it unlikely that any loophole has been left which would justify the department in requiring the court to perform further work.

FIGHT AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Peter Jackson Knocked Out in the Third Round by Jim Jeffries.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 22.—Peter Jackson was given a rousing welcome to-night when he stepped into the ring to meet Jim Jeffries in a twenty round go. It was Jackson's first public appearance here since 1891, when he fought a seventy-one round draw with Jim Corbett. Woodward's pavilion held the biggest crowd in its history to-night, and the 8,000 enthusiasts gave a roar of welcome when the dusky champion came into view. Jackson who had trained hard for the fight, weighed about 200 pounds and, although he had been considered by many as a back number, was pronounced by physicians to be in perfect physical condition. Jeffries weighed 215 pounds and on account of his youth and strength was the favorite in the betting, at odds ranging from ten to six to ten to eight.

In the third round Jeffries landed left and right on head, following with repetition of these on Jackson's jaw, and Peter went groggy. Jeffries knocked Peter against the ropes, swinging left on the jaw, Peter falling helplessly against the ropes. Thereupon the referee stopped the fight, giving the decision to Jeffries.

AN ABSOLUTE FAILURE.

Cuban Insurgents Refused the Offers of Autonomy From Spanish Officials.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, VIA KEY WEST, FLA., March 22.—It is known positively that the negotiations between General Pando's delegates, Ramirez and Charvez, and General Malixto Garcia, and other prominent insurgents, in which the radical autonomists made what are said to be final offers of practical independence, have proved an absolute failure. No particulars have yet been received at the palace here as to the place or the particulars of the meeting, but that the negotiations have failed is shown by the resumption of hostilities.

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FORTY LIVES LOST.

Passengers and Crew of the Barque Helen W. Almy from San Francisco En Route to Alaska.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 22.—Upon the arrival of the Pacific coast steamship company's steamer Santa Rosa, from San Diego to-day, the news was received of another accident, indirectly attributed to the Alaskan gold excitement, which is believed to have cost the lives of 40 passengers and sailors.

Captain Alexander, of the Santa Rosa, reported that early this morning, while nine miles off Point Bonita at the mouth of the Golden Gate he sighted a derelict, bottom upwards. The tug Sea Witch was immediately dispatched to the point indicated and found the derelict to be the barque Helen W. Almy, Captain Hogan, which sailed hence for Copper river points with 27 passengers and a crew of thirteen on Sunday last.

The barque lay upon her starboard side with her stern low down in the water, her deck hamper badly wrecked and several planks of her hull washed loose by the seas which broke over her. While there were no signs of boats among the wreckage it is not believed that her passengers and crew escaped by putting off from the vessel in them, as there has been a very heavy sea for several days past. Furthermore no word has been received from the survivors, if any exist, although the derelict was sighted within ten miles of shore, and fully forty-eight hours have passed since the wreck occurred.

WRECKING THE MAINE.

Divers Getting Out Guns and Ammunition—Official Report of the Loss of Life in the Disaster.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, March 22.—The wrecking contract divers have been busy on the Maine to-day, raising two 6-inch guns from the after cabin with great difficulty, and getting ammunition from the magazine aft. In doing this the divers are compelled to go down through the turret aft in a narrow chute and then along the deck to the magazine opening. They are liable to be jammed, and great care is taken. It may be necessary to cut a hole through the decks direct into the magazine. Moreover, the divers are somewhat nervous about handling explosives.

Chaplain Chadwick has completed his mortuary report, which shows that 257 men and two officers perished in the catastrophe, six succumbed to their injuries in the Sanambro hospital here, one died on the Spanish transport Colon, 171 bodies have been recovered from the wreck, of which sixty-one have been identified, 160 have been buried in Colon cemetery and eleven at Key West.

This is the official report, made public, after careful correction for the first time.

OFFICERS OF THE MAINE.

Those Remaining in Havana are Awaiting Orders to Go North.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, March 22.—Up to the hour of closing the cable office to-night the officers of the Maine in Havana had not received orders to go North. All but Lieutenant Commander Wainwright may be ordered away at any time. He has been placed officially in charge of the wrecking in progress under the contract. Captain Sigsbee and the other officers were supposed to remain only while the Court of Inquiry was in session here and they are confident they will be ordered away before April 1st, as after that quarantine laws against yellow fever will be enforced more rigidly than ever on account of the outbreak last year in New Orleans and elsewhere in the United States. Captain Sigsbee is not very well. He is anxious to go North, but of course says nothing on the subject, being willing to wait patiently for orders.

ARMY REORGANIZATION.

Amendments to the Bill Now Before Congress.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The Military Affairs Committee of the House to-day completed consideration of the Army Reorganization bill and ordered a favorable report upon it. As agreed upon only a few changes were made. An additional section was added as a precaution providing that nothing in the act should be construed as an authorization to increase the enlisted force of the army in time of peace.

Another amendment provides that "at the end of the war in which the United States may become involved the army shall be reduced to a peace basis by the transfer or absorption, through promotion, of the supernumerary officers and the honorable discharge or transfer of supernumerary enlisted men."

Chairman Hull, of the Military Affairs Committee, will secure action upon the bill at the earliest possible moment. It may require a special rule to get the bill before the House.

COLOSSAL FRAUDS.

Banks in St. Paul, Minnesota, Swindled of Large Amounts.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Information has reached the government, through a number of banks at St. Paul, Minn., that during the past year and more these and other nearby banks have been made the victims of colossal frauds through the suspected collusion of government clerks connected with the commission having in charge the improvements on the upper Mississippi river. Full details of the affair have not yet reached the Government, but the statements submitted by the banks indicate that $300,000 or more has been procured from them through fraudulent time checks for services never performed. Copies of some of these time checks are said to be signed by J. H. Southall, chief clerk of the United States engineer's office at St. Paul, and are dated at different times during the year 1897.

The rumors that General Pando has been recalled to Havana are pronounced to be without foundation, Generals Pando and Salcedo, it is given out are continuing their operations in the province of Puerto Principe.

The Spanish Government has received a dispatch from its minister at Washington, saying that the report of the United States naval court appointed to inquire into the loss of the battleship Maine holds that the explosion was of external origin.

RALEIGH NEWS BUDGET.

The Railway Commission—Federal Convicts—Base Ball—Funeral of Mrs. Dinwiddie—Appendicitis.

[Special Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 22.

There will be an early meeting of the Railway Commission. One was expected yesterday, but for some reason it was not held. The meeting will be held within the next ten days.

Fifteen Federal convicts were placed in the penitentiary yesterday. This is the second assignment of Federal prisoners since the prison here was designated a government prison.

The Augusta, Ga., base ball team of the Southern League is here this morning en route to Wake Forest, where the team plays the college nine this evening. The Augusta team has a number of teams scheduled in the State.

The remains of Mrs. Dinwiddie, the wife of the President of Peace Institute, who died in Baltimore yesterday morning, arrived here this morning. The funeral occurred this afternoon.

There have been four cases of appendicitis here recently. Two of them came here from Southern Pines for treatment. An operation was successfully performed on one of the Southern Pines parties at the hospital here.

Grant McAden, colored, is being given a preliminary hearing to-day for burning a barn belonging to Mr. C. S. Allen. McAden was seen running away from the barn when the fire was discovered.

Mayor Russ suspended policeman Sam Lambeth this morning for conduct unbecoming an officer. Lambeth lost his temper and severely cursed and kicked a young man Saturday night.

WARM WIRELETS.

Company B, Fifth Infantry, left Fort McPherson last night for St. Augustine, Fla.

The severe blizzard which is sweeping over the West, has probably destroyed the fruit crop of Kansas. The cold is intense and at many points in Western Kansas the mercury has registered below zero.

Gov. Atkinson, of Georgia, has postponed for one week the execution of Mrs. Elizabeth Nobles, sentenced to be hanged Friday for the murder of her husband, a farmer near Forsythe, Ga., several years ago.



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42-inch wide Imported Silk and Wool Novelty Dress Goods in a variety of more than 25 different styles and color combinations; regular price 75c a yard; special for this week 50c.

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$5 " " " 3185
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Statement of Atlantic National Bank, Wilmington, N. C.

At the close of Business Feb. 18th, 1898, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans	$572,903 10	Capital	$125,000 00
Overdrafts	21 66	Surplus	100,000 00
U. S. 4 per cent. Bonds (at par)	40,000 00	Undivided profits	15,918 11— 75,912 11
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000 00	Circulation	36,000 00
Due from other Banks $109,167 71		Total Deposits	662,455 16
Cash on hand 67,274 55—	276,442 31		
Total	$899,367 27	Total	$899,367 27

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

	Feb. 18, '98.	Feb. 18, '97.	Feb. 17, '98
Total Deposits	$607,000	$620,000	$662,000
Surplus and Net Profits	54,800	54,300	75,900
Bills Payable and Re-discounts	NONE.	NONE.	NONE.

Dividends paid—6 per cent. per annum.

Last Instalment of Capital paid in October, 1892. mar 6 tf

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